

Doll Man

THE DOLL MAN, DIMINUTIVE DYNAMO OF LAW AND ORDER, BECOMES A FUGITIVE FROM JUSTICE! AND THE MAN RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS CONTRADICTION CALAMITY IS THE MENACING RACK KAVEL! KAVEL MUST BE STOPPED AND HIS EVIL PLOT EXPOSED BEFORE THE POLICE SEIZE THE DOLL MAN!

TO BE SIMULTANEOUSLY THE PURSUED AND THE PURSUER, THAT IS...

Doll Man's Dilemma!

GET READY FOR ACTION, ELMO! THAT'S RACK KAVEL UP AHEAD!

THERE'S THE DOLL MAN! GET HIM! HE'S WANTED FOR ARREST!

DOLL MAN
AT LARGE



The image is a dense collage of vintage comic book covers, primarily from the mid-20th century. The covers are arranged in a grid-like fashion, overlapping slightly. Titles visible include "Supermouse", "Jetta", "Mystery Comics", "Fantastic Tales", "Cosmo Cat", "Startling Comics", "Strange Mysteries", "Daring Adventures", "Famous Funnies", "Hilarious Raucous", "Teen-Age Sweetheart", "Duck", "Eerie", "Exciting Comics", "Casper Cat", and "Barnyard Comics". Many covers feature colorful illustrations of superheroes, cartoon characters, and action scenes. A large, dark purple speech bubble with a white outline is centered over the collage. Inside the bubble, the text "WEB COMIC UNIVERSE.COM" is written in a bold, white, sans-serif font. The overall aesthetic is nostalgic and vibrant.



GRARR!
WHAT
IS IT,
ELMO?



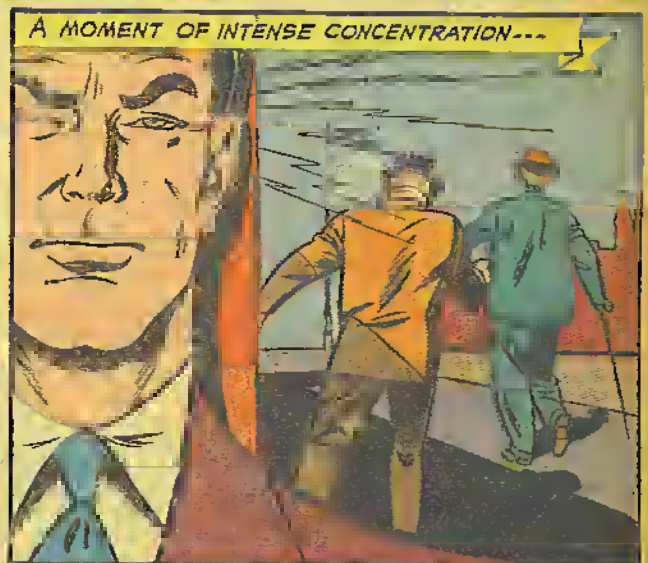
THAT'S SAM GRUE, ONE
OF RACK KAVEL'S BOYS!
AND I SUSPECT HE'S
UP TO NO GOOD!



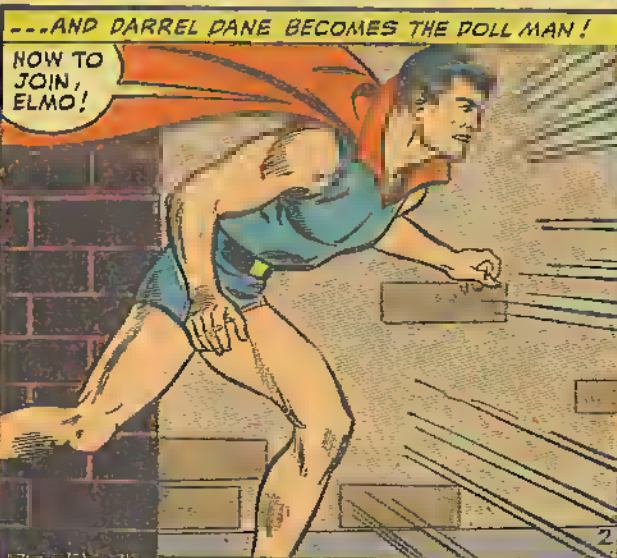
KEEP YOUR EYE ON
THEM, ELMO! I'LL BE
WITH YOU IN A
MINUTE!



THIS CALLS FOR A
QUICK APPEARANCE
OF THE DOLL MAN
AND THAT CAN EASILY
BE ARRANGED....



A MOMENT OF INTENSE CONCENTRATION...

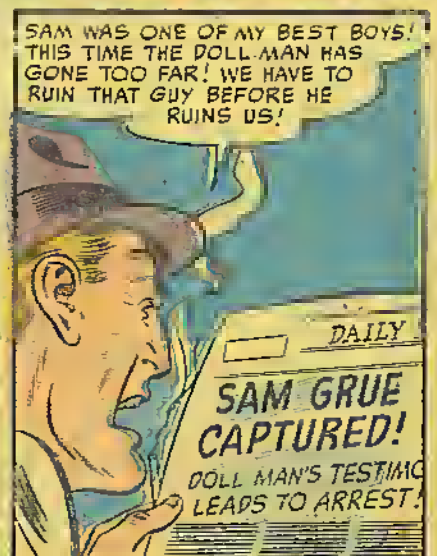
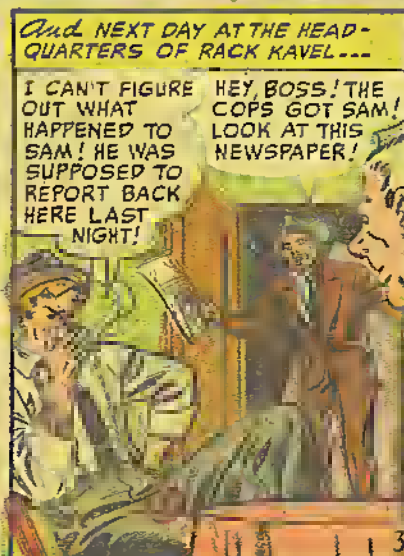
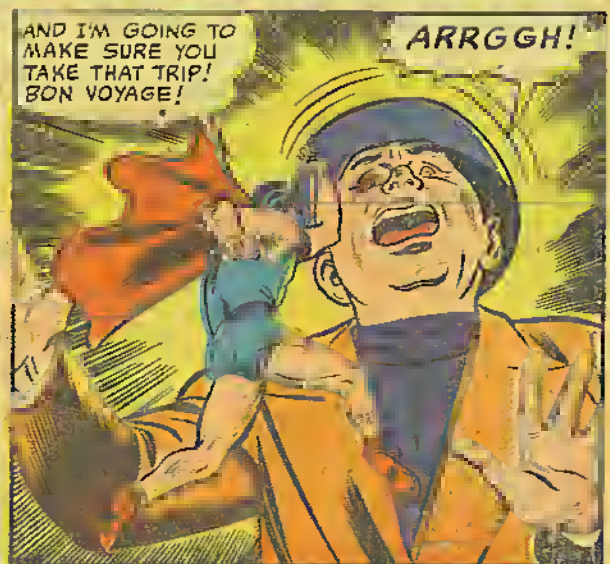
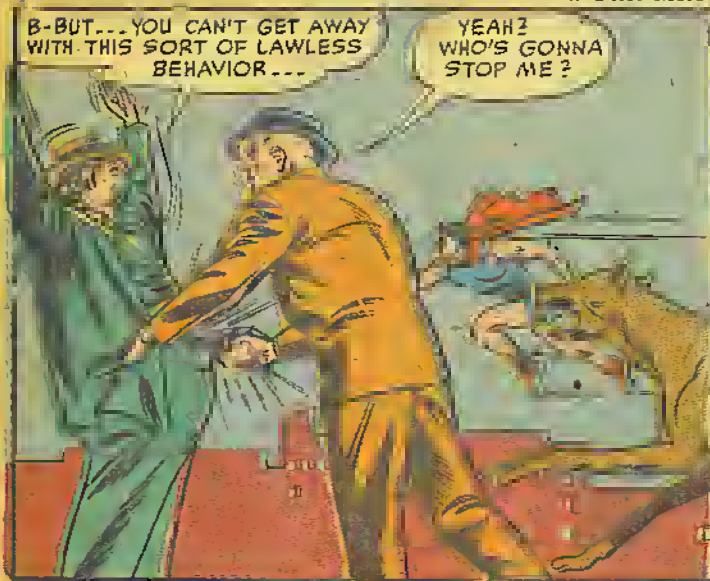


---AND DARREL DANE BECOMES THE DOLL MAN!
NOW TO
JOIN,
ELMO!



OKAY, POP! I HAD MY EYE ON YOU FOR
THE LAST HALF HOUR! I KNOW YOU
JUST MADE A BIG WITHDRAWAL
FROM THE BANK---

COME ON,
ELMO! LET'S
BREAK
THIS UP!







YOU MEAN WE LEAVE ALL THAT DOUGH WITH THE DOLL MAN? WE'LL NEVER GET RICH THAT WAY, BOSS---

I SAID WE'D LEAVE THE BRIEFCASE WITH HIM---



... BUT FIRST WE REMOVE THE CONTENTS!

CITY
YOURS & MINE
KEEP IT
CLEAN

NOW YOU'RE TALKING MY LANGUAGE--- ONLY IF THE COPS DON'T FIND THE DOUGH ON THE DOLL MAN MAYBE THEY WON'T EVEN ARREST HIM!



SLUGGER, YOU JUST GAVE ME AN IDEA! LET'S FIND A PHONE BOOTH RIGHT AWAY!

THERE'S ONE AROUND THE CORNER, BUT WHO ARE YOU GONNA CALL?



I'M GOING TO HAVE A PLEASANT CHAT WITH THE POLICE DEPARTMENT!

BOSS, ARE YOU SURE YOU FEEL ALL RIGHT?



I FEEL FINE, BUT AFTER THIS CALL I'LL FEEL EVEN BETTER! NOW THIS HANDKERCHIEF OUGHT TO DISGUISE MY VOICE!



HELLO, POLICE? I WANT TO REPORT A ROBBERY! BANK MESSENGER WAS HELD UP! AND ONE OF THE GUYS WHO AMBUSHED HIM WAS THE DOLL MAN---

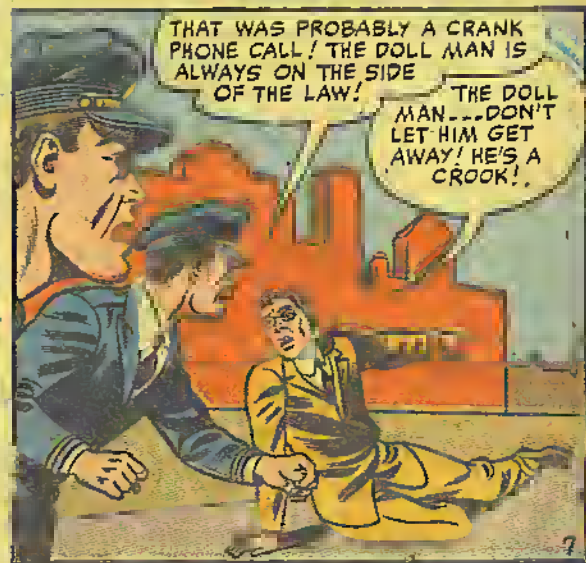
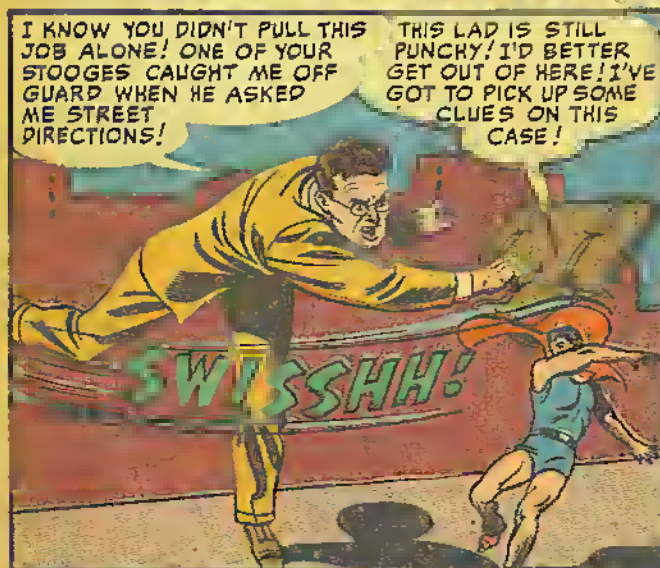
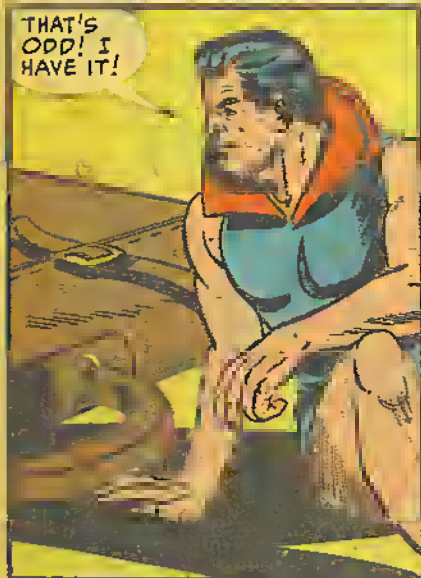


MEANWHILE---

OH! WHAT HIT ME?

MY BRIEF CASE---WHAT HAPPENED TO MY BRIEF CASE?





THIS GUY ISN'T TALKING SENSE...

I'M AFRAID HE IS! LOOK OVER THERE! THAT'S THE DOLL MAN AND HE'S RUNNING AWAY!



GET THIS MAN TO A HOSPITAL! WE'RE GOING AFTER THE DOLL MAN!



OH-OH! NOW THE POLICE ARE ON MY TRAIL! THINGS LOOK BAD FOR THE DOLL MAN, ELMO!

WOW! WOW!



WE'LL HAVE TO THROW THE POLICE OFF OUR TRAIL FOR A WHILE! I NEED TIME TO DO SOME INVESTIGATING ON MY OWN!



WITH A MIGHTY EFFORT OF WILL DOLL MAN CONTROLS THE COSMIC FORCES...

THIS OUGHT TO HELP MATTERS!

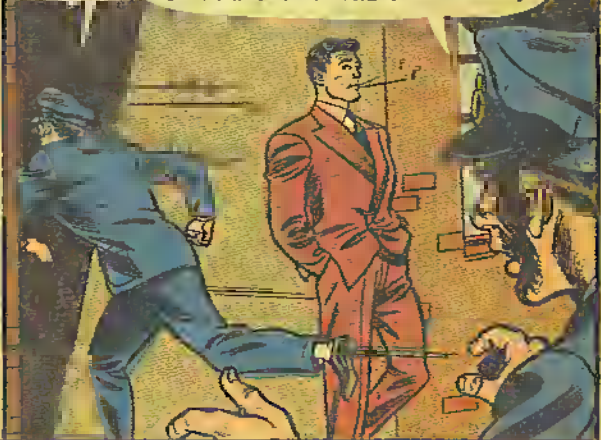


... AND BECOMES DARREL DANE, YOUNG SCIENTIST!

HERE COME THE POLICE, ELMO! STAY OUT OF SIGHT!



HE'S NOWHERE IN SIGHT! I THINK WE'VE LOST HIM! THEN LET'S REPORT BACK TO THE OFFICE! WE'LL GET A CITY-WIDE ALARM OUT AND OFFER A REWARD! THEN EVERYBODY IN TOWN WILL BE LOOKING FOR THE DOLL MAN!



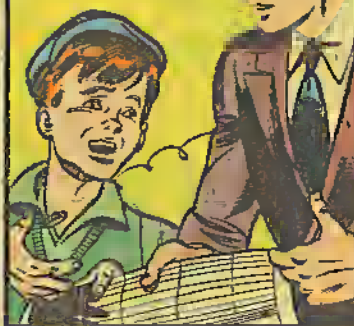
AND NEXT DAY---

I'VE GOT TO BREAK THIS CASE SOMEHOW BUT I DON'T KNOW WHERE TO BEGIN!

EXTRA! EXTRA! DOLL MAN TURNS CRIMINAL! READ ALL ABOUT IT!



AIN'T IT SOMETHING, MISTER, THE WAY THE DOLL MAN BECAME A CROOK--- IT'S ENOUGH TO MAKE YOU LOSE FAITH IN HUMAN NATURE!



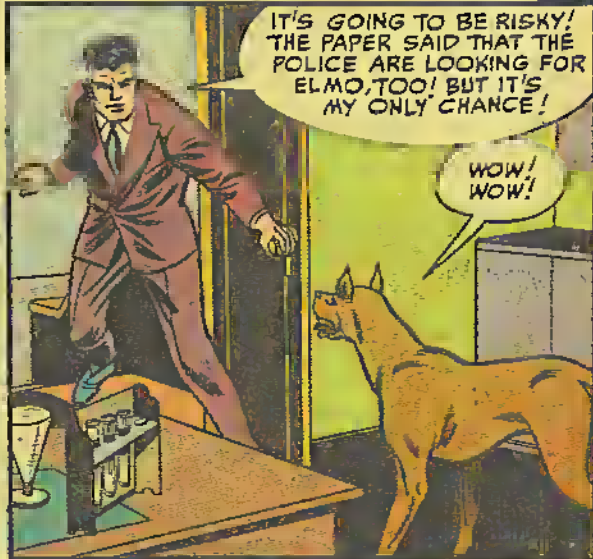
THE BANK MESSENGER STATED THAT THERE WAS ANOTHER MAN INVOLVED IN THE DARING ROBBERY! POLICE, HOWEVER, ARE CONCENTRATING ON THEIR SEARCH FOR THE DOLL MAN WHO IS THE KEY TO THE CASE!



WHOEVER SLUGGED ELMO IS THE MAN I HAVE TO FIND! AND ELMO IS THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN HELP ME FIND HIM!

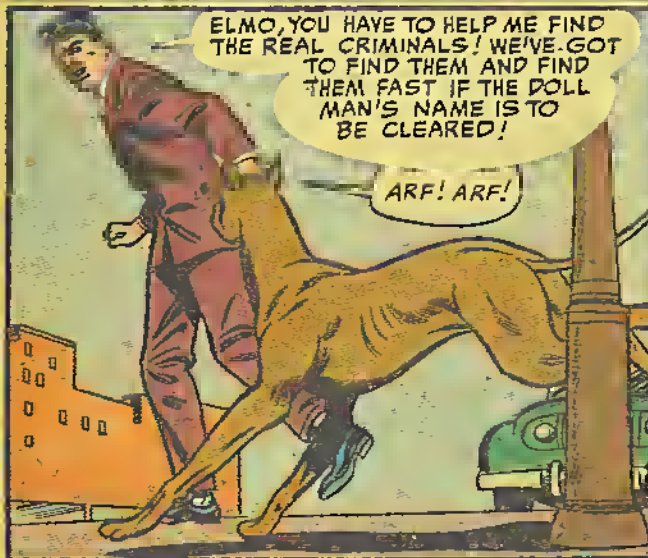


IT'S GOING TO BE RISKY! THE PAPER SAID THAT THE POLICE ARE LOOKING FOR ELMO, TOO! BUT IT'S MY ONLY CHANCE!



ELMO, YOU HAVE TO HELP ME FIND THE REAL CRIMINALS! WE'VE GOT TO FIND THEM AND FIND THEM FAST IF THE DOLL MAN'S NAME IS TO BE CLEARED!

ARF! ARF!

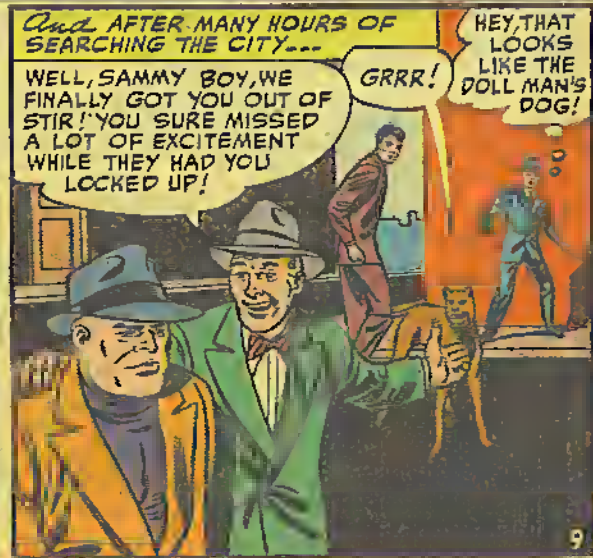


And AFTER MANY HOURS OF SEARCHING THE CITY---

WELL, SAMMY BOY, WE FINALLY GOT YOU OUT OF STIR! YOU SURE MISSED A LOT OF EXCITEMENT WHILE THEY HAD YOU LOCKED UP!

GRRR!

HEY, THAT LOOKS LIKE THE DOLL MAN'S DOG!





RR RR!

SO WE FINALLY HIT THE TRAIL, ELMO! THAT MAN WITH SAM GRUE IS ONE OF RACK KAVEL'S BOYS TOO! I'VE GOT A HUNCH THAT FRAMING THE DOLL MAN WAS RACK KAVEL'S IDEA!



I'M GOING TO FOLLOW THOSE MEN! THEY'RE SURE TO LEAD ME TO RACK KAVEL!

SAY, THERE, IS THAT YOUR DOG?



ELMO, YOU'VE GOT TO TRUST ME... NO MATTER WHAT I DO!

ARF!



I DON'T KNOW WHOSE DOG THIS IS, OFFICER! HE'S BEEN TAGGING AFTER ME!

IT'S THE DOG WE'RE LOOKING FOR, ALL RIGHT! NOW THAT WE FOUND HIM, MAYBE WE CAN FIND THE DOLL MAN!



GOOD HUNTING, OFFICER!

BUT I'VE GOT A HUNTING EXPEDITION OF MY OWN! AND I'D BETTER GET GOING BEFORE I LOSE SAM GRUE AND HIS FRIEND!



THERE THEY ARE!



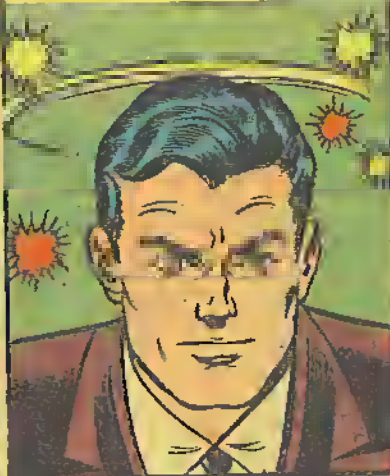
THE BOSS IS WAITING FOR US! HE WANTS TO DIVVY UP THE DOUGH WE GOT FROM THE BANK MESSENGER! THEN WE'RE GOING TO SLUG TOWN!

THEY MUST BE HEADED FOR KAVEL'S HIDEOUT! ONLY ONE PERSON CAN HANDLE THOSE HOODS...AND THAT'S THE DOLL MAN! I HAVE TO RISK IT!

SO THAT'S WHERE THE RATS ARE NESTING! I'VE GOT TO MOVE FAST!



STARS WHIRL IN THE HEAVENS AS DARREL DANE CONCENTRATES HIS WILL POWER AND BECOMES THE DOLL MAN!



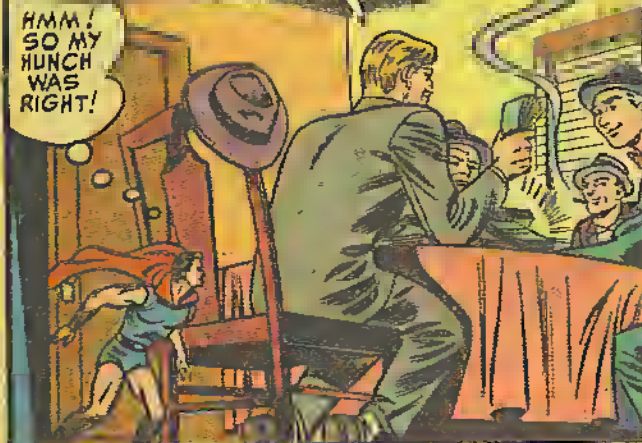
HERE GOES!

THAT'S THE DOLL MAN! I MUST NOTIFY THE POLICE AT ONCE!



OKAY, BOYS! NOW THAT WE'RE ALL HERE WE CAN BEGIN SPLITTING UP THE DOUGH WE GOT FROM THE BANK MESSENGER!

HMM! SO MY HUNCH WAS RIGHT!



HEY, YOU GUYS ARE GETTING CARELESS, LEAVING THE DOOR OPEN! SHUT IT AND LOCK IT!

IT'S A GOOD THING THEY WERE CARELESS! NOW THAT I'M INSIDE, I'M GOING TO TAKE FULL ADVANTAGE OF IT!



IT'S TOO BAD THE DOLL MAN AIN'T HERE! THE COPS THINK HE'S GOT THE DOUGH!

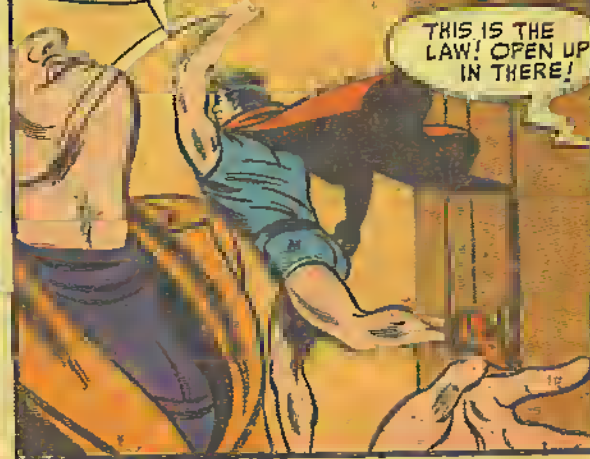
IT'S TOO BAD FOR YOU THAT THE DOLL MAN IS HERE!



IT'S ABOUT TIME YOU GUYS WERE ON THE RECEIVING END!

KNOCK! KNOCK!

THIS IS THE LAW! OPEN UP IN THERE!



DOLL MAN

YOUR AIM IS PRETTY BAD, RACK!
ARE THE POLICE OUTSIDE MAKING
YOU NERVOUS?

JUST
REMEMBER,
DOLL MAN, IF
THE COPS
GET US...
THEY GET
YOU TOO!

BANG!



ALL I HAVE TO DO IS TELL THEM
THAT YOU'RE THE LEADER OF THIS
GANG AND THAT YOU'RE HERE
FOR YOUR
SHARE OF
THE DOUGH!

SO YOU WON'T
OPEN UP! OKAY,
WE'RE BEAKING
THIS DOOR
DOWN!

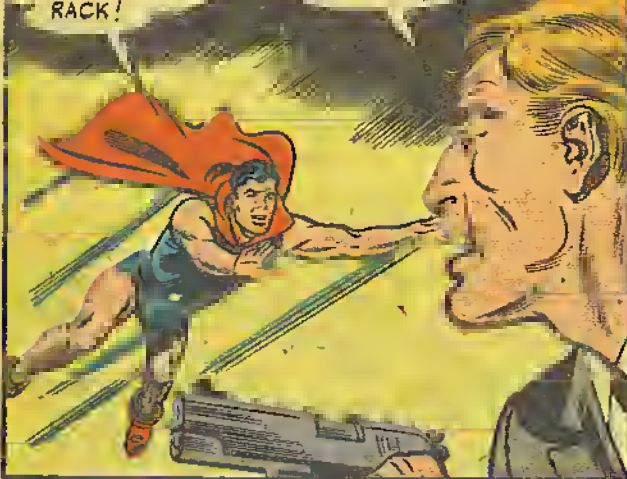


SO THE RAT WANTS ME TO GO
DOWN WITH HIS SINKING SHIP...
I HAVE TO GET A CONFESSION
OUT OF HIM BEFORE THE
POLICE GET IN
HERE!



YOU'VE DONE
ENOUGH DAMAGE
FOR A WHILE,
RACK!

YOU'RE TRAPPED, DOLL
MAN! WHY DON'T YOU
FACE IT?



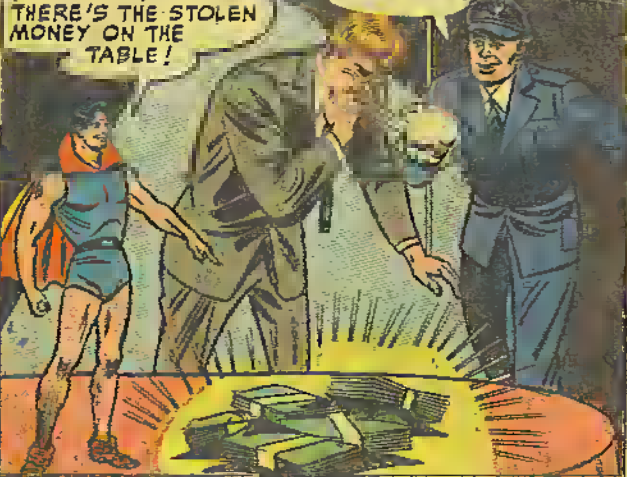
THE COPS DON'T KNOW THAT I
ENGINEERED THE FRAME! YOU
WON'T BE ABLE TO PROVE A THING,
DOLL MAN! THE LAW WILL NEVER
KNOW YOU WERE ON THEIR
SIDE ALL THE TIME!

WHAT'S THIS
ABOUT A
FRAME?



TAKE HIM AWAY,
OFFICER! HE'S
YOUR MAN! AND
THERE'S THE STOLEN
MONEY ON THE
TABLE!

HE SAID YOU WERE ON THE
SIDE OF THE LAW,
DOLL MAN!



THEY CERTAINLY STACKED
UP A LOT OF DAMAGING
EVIDENCE AGAINST YOU,
DOLL MAN, BUT WE'VE
HEARD ENOUGH TO
CLEAR YOUR
NAME!

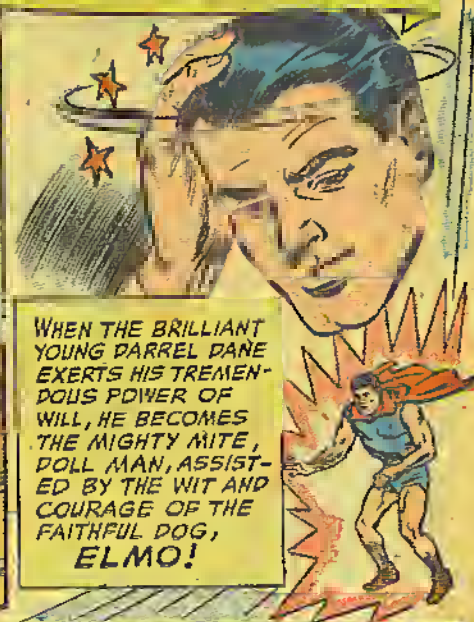
WHEW! I'M GLAD
IT'S ALL OVER! BUT
THERE'S JUST ONE
PIECE OF UNFINISHED
BUSINESS! I'VE GOT
TO GO SEE A MAN
ABOUT A DOG



Doll Man

NEW SCIENCE IS WONDROUS...BUT NO MORE WONDROUS THAN OLD-FORGOTTEN FORMULAS OF THE STRANGE PAST! DOLL MAN WONDERED WHAT THE BRILLIANT RESEARCH EXPERT, ROBDEAU, SOUGHT IN THE BOOKS OF BYGONE EXPERIMENTERS...AND DOLL MAN FOUND OUT, IN THE WILD ADVENTURE OF

The FULL MOON MONSTER!



WHEN THE BRILLIANT YOUNG DARREL DANE EXERTS HIS TREMENDOUS POWER OF WILL, HE BECOMES THE MIGHTY MITE, DOLL MAN, ASSISTED BY THE WIT AND COURAGE OF THE FAITHFUL DOG, **ELMO!**

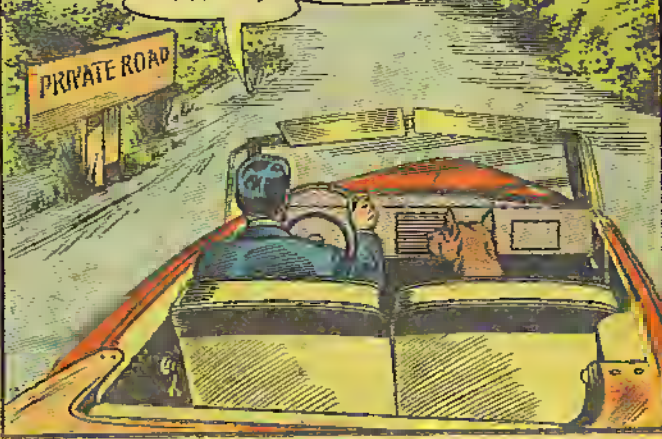
A LETTER COMES TO THE LABORATORY OF DARREL DANE---



ARF?

RIGHT, ELMO, IT'S A MYSTERIOUS APPEAL! FROM THE DAUGHTER OF AN OLD FRIEND OF MINE...HER NAME'S MERCY RAINES!

SHE'S ASSISTING AT THE EXPERIMENTAL LABORATORY OF A MAN NAMED ROBDEAU, AND THINKS I MIGHT HELP THEM! HERE'S THE WAY TO ROBDEAU'S PLACE!

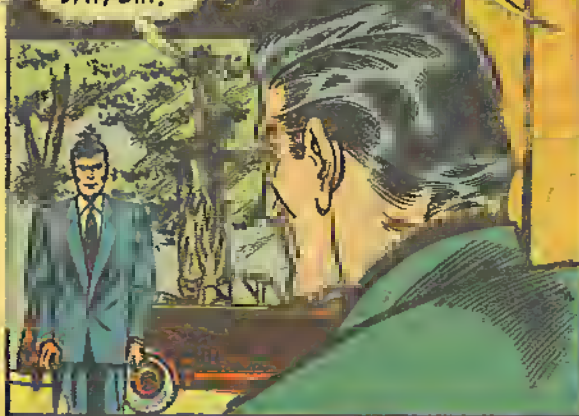


YES, MY NAME'S ROBDEAU! BUT I DON'T ALLOW VISITORS HERE... CAN'T TAKE TIME FROM MY RATHER **SPECIALIZED RESEARCH!** GOOD DAY, SIR!

WAIT, DARLING! IF THAT'S DARREL DANE, I WROTE FOR HIM TO COME!

DON'T TAKE MY FIANCE'S MANNER! TOO SERIOUSLY, DARREL! HE DIDN'T KNOW I INVITED YOU TO COME AND HEAR ABOUT WHAT WE'RE DOING!

HMM... WELL, IF MARCY SENT FOR YOU, MR. DANE, YOU MAY AS WELL COME IN!



...BUT LET THE DOG STAY OUTSIDE! I HAVE PECULIAR DISLIKE FOR DOGS!



MY PROJECT IS DIGGING INTO THE FORGOTTEN WISDOM OF THE ANCIENTS! I SUPPOSE YOU'LL THINK THAT A **FOOLISH** ACTIVITY, DANE!

NOT FOR A MOMENT! THE EARLIEST SCIENCE WAS WONDERFUL! WE'D LIKE TO KNOW TODAY HOW THEY WERE ABLE TO BUILD THE PYRAMIDS... TEMPER COPPER, AND SO ON!



THEY KNEW MORE THAN THAT! THEY COULD MAKE SOME THINGS BE **OTHER** THINGS! MARCY, SUPPOSE YOU ENTERTAIN OUR GUEST WHILE I FINISH MY RESEARCH NOTES!



ROBDEAU HAS SOME INTERESTING NOTIONS, MARCY!

INTERESTING? YES, AND FRIGHTENING!



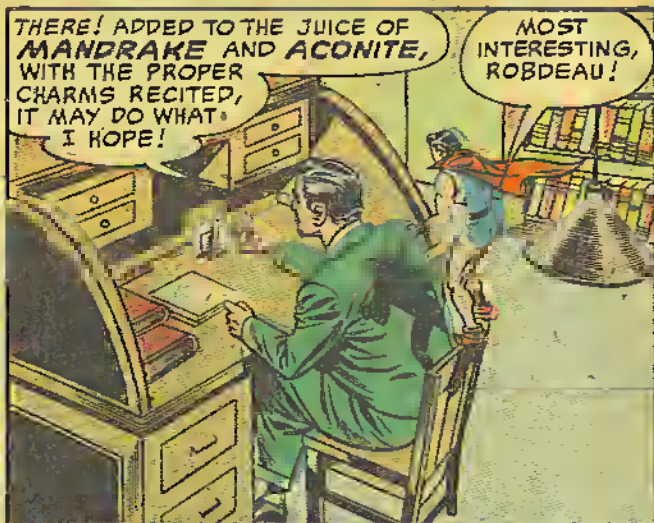
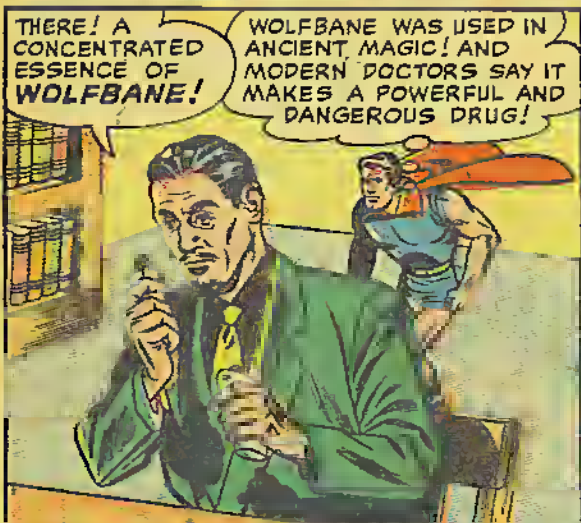
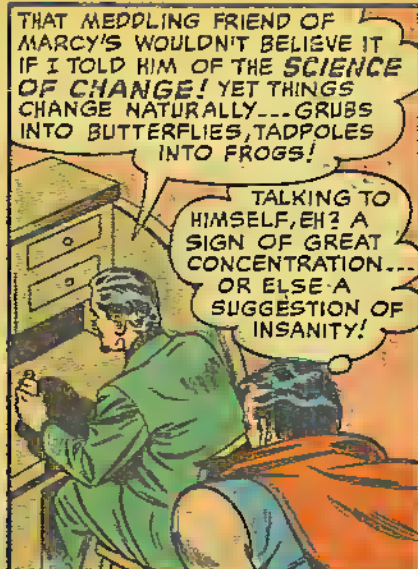
HIS BIGGEST ATTENTION IS PAID TO THE OLD BOOKS OF **SORCERY AND WITCH-CRAFT!** AND NOT ALL THE THINGS HE READS ARE **SUPERSTITION!**

I SEE! EXCUSE ME WHILE I STEP OUTSIDE AND SEE IF MY DOG'S ALL RIGHT!



AWAY FROM ROBDEAU AND MARCY, DARREL DANE CONCENTRATES HIS WILL POWER...

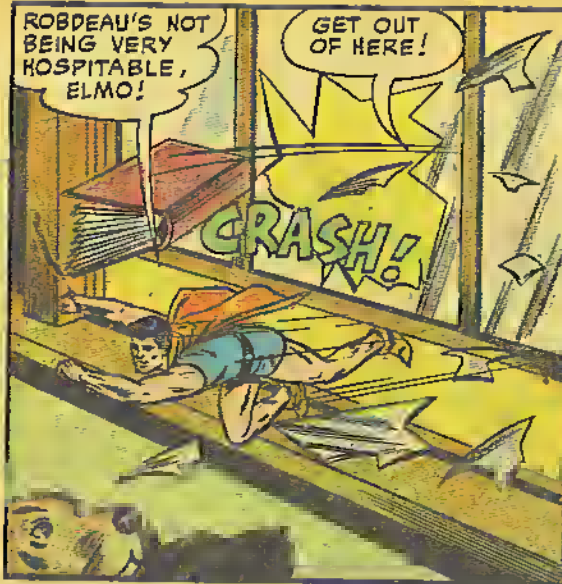
DOLL MAN
--AND BECOMES THE MIGHTY
DOLL MAN!



ROBDEAU'S NOT
BEING VERY
HOSPITABLE,
ELMO!

GET OUT
OF HERE!

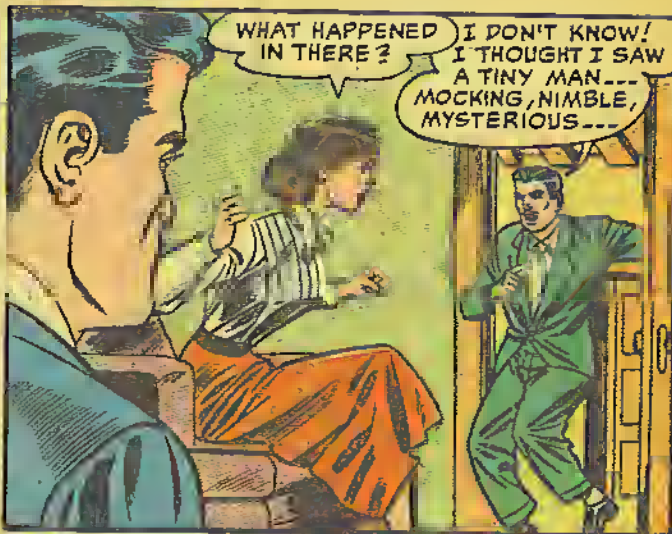
CRASH!



DOLL MAN TURNS BACK TO DARREL DANE AND
ENTERS THE HOUSE---

WHAT HAPPENED
IN THERE?

I DON'T KNOW!
I THOUGHT I SAW
A TINY MAN---
MOCKING, NIMBLE,
MYSTERIOUS---



YOU IMAGINED IT, DEAR!
YOU'RE OVERWORKED,
EXCITED! IT'S GETTING
LATE! WHY DON'T YOU
REST UNTIL TOMORROW?

YOU'RE RIGHT, MARCY!
I'LL GO TO MY ROOM!
PLEASE EXCUSE ME,
DANE!



ON THE FULL MOON RISES---

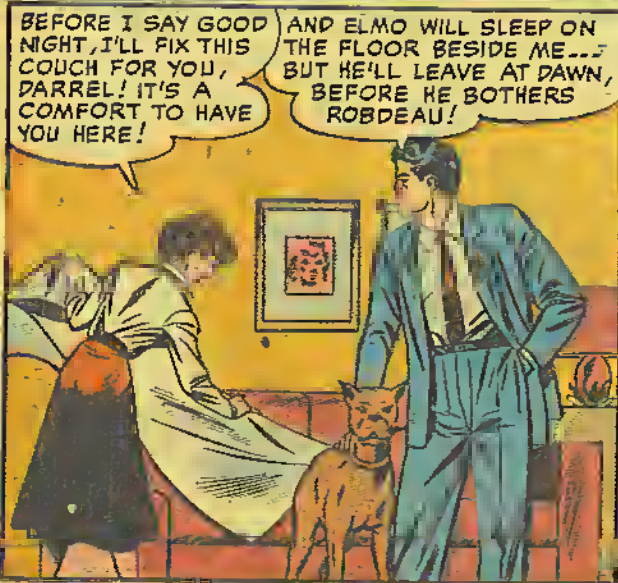
HOW BEAUTIFUL,
DARREL! BUT WEIRD,
SOMEHOW! ROBDEAU
SAYS THE FULL MOON
WILL MARK THE TIME
OF HIS GREAT
EXPERIMENT IN
CHANGE!

I THINK HE MAY
BE PLANNING BIG AND
STRANGE THINGS! YOU
KNOW, NATURE CAN BE
CHANGED! LOOK AT HOW
PERSONS MAY GROW
BIG OR SMALL, FAT OR
THIN, BY THE WAY THEIR
GLANDS
WORK!



BEFORE I SAY GOOD
NIGHT, I'LL FIX THIS
COUCH FOR YOU,
DARREL! IT'S A
COMFORT TO HAVE
YOU HERE!

AND ELMO WILL SLEEP ON
THE FLOOR BESIDE ME...
BUT HE'LL LEAVE AT DAWN,
BEFORE HE BOTHERS
ROBDEAU!



BUT, WHEN ALL THE HOUSE IS STILL---

YOUR EARS ARE SHARPER THAN MINE,
ELMO! DID YOU HEAR SOMETHING IN
ROBDEAU'S STUDY?

GRRRR!



I KNOW WHAT YOU MEAN, ELMO!
DOLL MAN WILL HANDLE THE
SITUATION BETTER! SO I'LL
CONCENTRATE
AND---

RRRR!

DOLL MAN
AS DARREL DANE TURNS
INTO DOLL MAN...

SOMEBODY'S
BREAKING IN!

CRASH!

THIS IS FOR
PROWLERS!

DOLL MAN HAS BECOME DARREL DANE AGAIN
AS MARCY ARRIVES---

THIS BURGLAR
BROKE IN AT
THE WINDOW! I
STUNNED HIM!
BUT THAT'S MR. TRONNUM,
WHO ADVANCED MONEY FOR
OUR RESEARCH
HERE!

YOU WERE RIGHT IN MISTRUSTING
ME, YOUNG MAN! BUT I MEANT
NO HARM! I WASN'T GOING TO
STEAL ANYTHING!

WHAT'S
THE MEANING
OF THIS
UPROAR?

I CAME OUT HERE TO SEE
ABOUT YOUR WORK! YOU'VE
REPORTED VERY LITTLE SO
FAR! I SAW THE LIGHTS
TURNED OFF AND KNEW
YOU MUST BE ASLEEP!

IF YOU KNEW THAT,
WHY TRY TO BREAK
IN?

I DID IT TO SAVE MY
LIFE! OUTSIDE THERE
WAS A HORRIBLE
HAIRY THING PROWLING
AROUND! IT CLOSED IN
ON ME! I---

BAH! WHAT YOU SAW
WAS MR. DANE'S
TROUBLESOME
DOGS, ROAMING IN
THE YARD!

THIS WAS NO DOG! IT WAS A SHAGGY THING WITH THE HEAD OF A BEAST... BUT IT WALKED LIKE A MAN! I DON'T WANT TO SEE IT AGAIN!

MR. TRONNUM, YOU'RE UPSET! YOU IMAGINED IT!

THAT'S PROBABLY THE TRUTH! EARLIER TODAY I IMAGINED I SAW A LITTLE IMP... HA! HA!

HMM... BUT ROBDEAU DID SEE DOLL MAN! AND MAYBE TRONNUM SAW SOMETHING ACTUAL... BUT WHAT?



MORNING AND TRONNUM HAS LEFT...

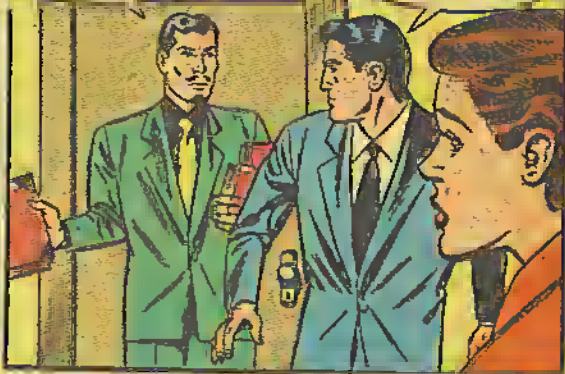
MAYBE THIS OUT-OF-THE-WAY PLACE IS FRIGHTENING AT NIGHT, BUT IT'S LOVELY BY SUNLIGHT!

HMPH! MARCY, IF YOU AREN'T TOO WRAPPED UP IN OUR GUEST, I'D LIKE TO CALL HIM AWAY FROM YOU!



I KNOW THAT TALKING TO MARCY IS MORE PLEASANT THAN TALKING TO ME! BUT I'D APPRECIATE YOUR HELP WITH MY STUDIES!

OF COURSE, IF YOU WANT IT! BUT YESTERDAY YOU DIDN'T SEEM SO WILLING TO DISCUSS YOUR WORK WITH ME!



YESTERDAY WAS... YESTERDAY! TODAY I THINK I'D LIKE YOUR OPINIONS ON WHAT I'M DOING!

HE'S JEALOUS BECAUSE MARCY IS GLAD I'M HERE!

OF COURSE, ROBDEAU! LET'S SEE THOSE BOOKS!



THE DAY PASSES IN PORING OVER ANCIENT TOMES...

ROBDEAU, THIS WORK MENTIONS A MIXTURE OF DRUGS AND MAGIC RITUAL TO CHANGE A MAN INTO A BEAST! THE ANCIENT WEREWOLF SUPERSTITION!

MAYBE IT WAS NO SUPERSTITION! I HAVE HERE A LIST OF WITNESSES TO WERE-WOLF CHANGES!



AFTER ALL, THE WONDROUS FORCE OF EVOLUTION CHANGED BEASTS INTO MEN! COULD NOT SOME OTHER FORCE REVERSE THE PROCESS... CHANGE MEN INTO BEASTS?

LOOK, IT'S NIGHT! THE MOON'S RISING! LET'S RELAX!



AFTER DARREL HAS DOZED OFF...

RRRR!

THIS GAS WILL PUT THE CUR TO SLEEP!



WHAT...

YOU TOO SHALL SLEEP WELL, DARREL DANE!



NOW I WON'T BE OBSERVED!

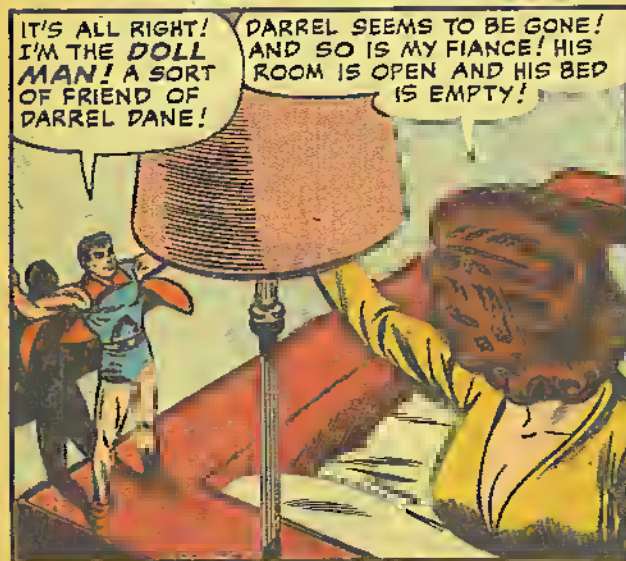
MY SENSES ARE SLIPPING! I MUST CONCENTRATE MY WILL... I MUST!



AGAIN DARREL DANE BECOMES DOLL MAN...

ELMO'S UNCONSCIOUS BUT NOT HARMED!

WHAT IS THAT TINY FIGURE? IT SEEMS TO BE ALIVE!



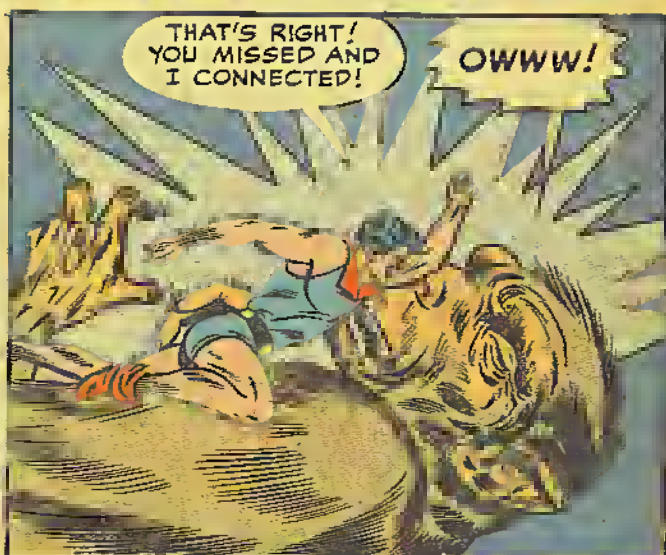
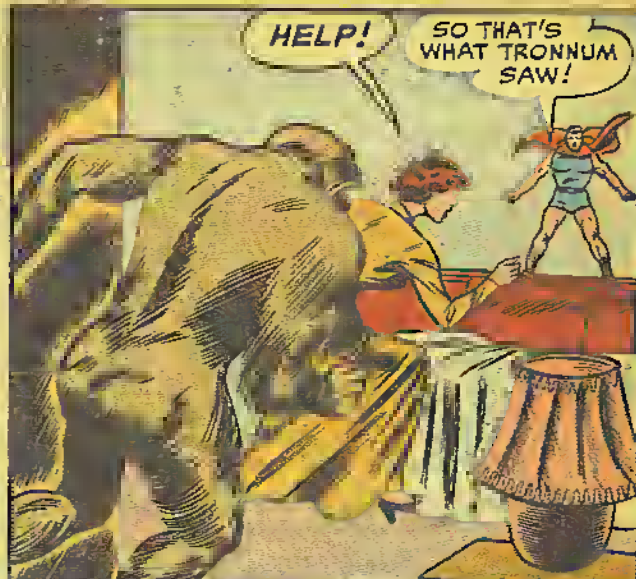
IT'S ALL RIGHT! I'M THE DOLL MAN! A SORT OF FRIEND OF DARREL DANE!

DARREL SEEMS TO BE GONE! AND SO IS MY FIANCE! HIS ROOM IS OPEN AND HIS BED IS EMPTY!



DID HE GO OUTSIDE?

LOOK OUT, MARCY!



I CAN'T UNDERSTAND ANY OF THAT AWFUL NIGHTMARE! WHAT HAPPENED TO YOU, DARLING?

I ONLY WENT INTO TOWN OVERNIGHT! AND DANE HERE SEEMS TO HAVE TORN UP THE PLACE LIKE A WILD BEAST!

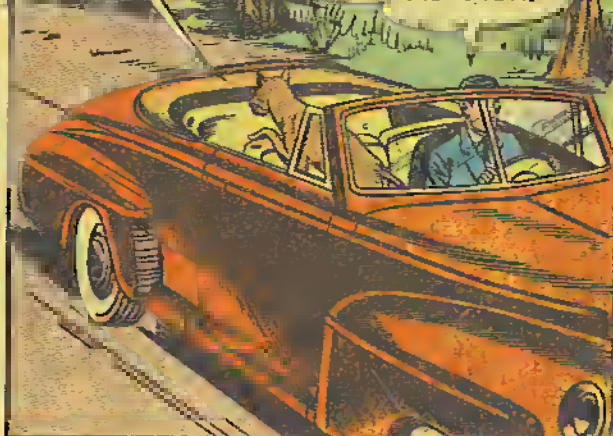
THERE'S BEEN NOTHING BUT MYSTERIOUS TROUBLE HERE SINCE YOU CAME! I WANT YOU TO LEAVE...AT ONCE!

IT'S YOUR PLACE, AND I'LL DO AS YOU SAY! COME ON, ELMO!



ARF?
RRRR?

DON'T WORRY! WE'LL ONLY **PRETEND TO LEAVE!** AT SUNSET WE SNEAK BACK AND HAVE A SHOW-DOWN WITH THAT MONSTER!



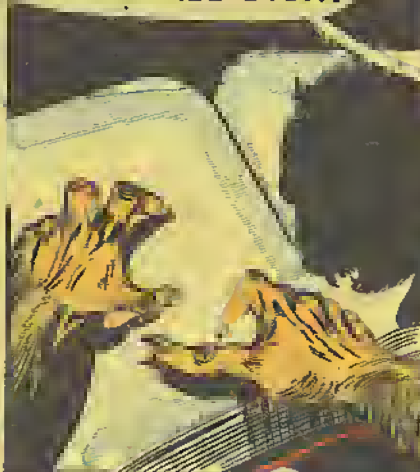
SUNSET...IT HAS COME...

THE LAST NIGHT OF A REALLY FULL MOON IS HERE!

FULL MOON... YES! THE TIME OF MY POWER! MY EXPERIMENT IS A SUCCESS, FOR I PERFORMED IT ON **MYSELF!**

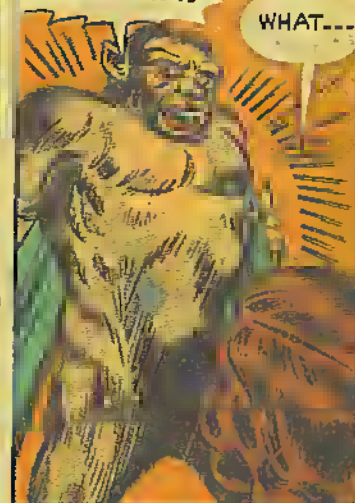


THERE'S THE FORMULA! AND LOOK...MY HAND CHANGES... I CHANGE **ALL OVER!**



KHAAAA!

WHAT...



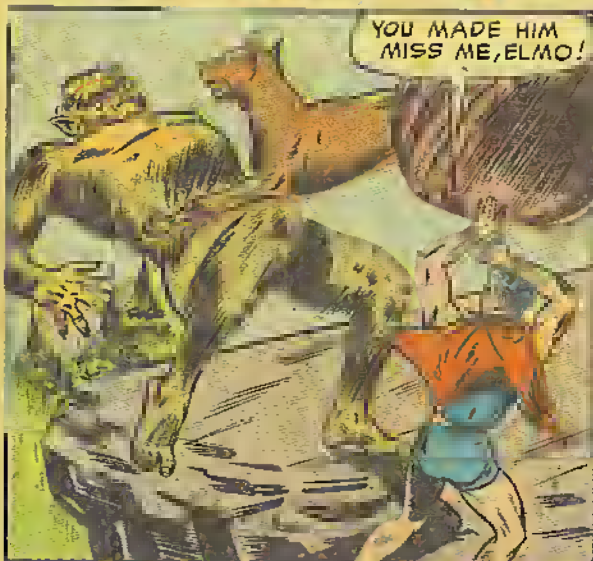
HELP! WON'T SOMEBODY COME?

SOMEBODY'S HERE, MARCY!



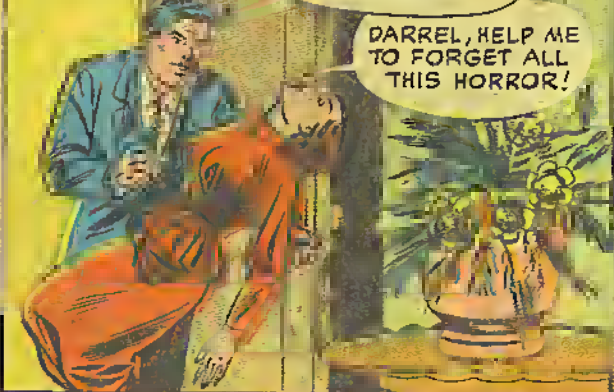
WE'LL START IN WHERE WE LEFT OFF LAST NIGHT!



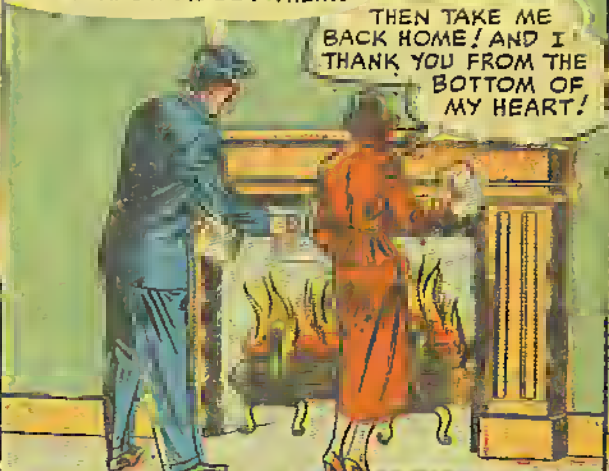


THE DOLL MAN BECOMES DARREL DANE ONCE MORE---

ROBDEAU FORGOT ONE ITEM IN THE WEREWOLF SCIENCE! WHEN A MAN TURNS TO THAT KIND OF MONSTER, HE TRIES TO DESTROY THE ONE HE LOVES MOST!



LET'S BURN ALL OF THE NOTES OF HIS EXPERIMENTS! THE WORLD HAD BETTER NEVER KNOW ABOUT THEM!

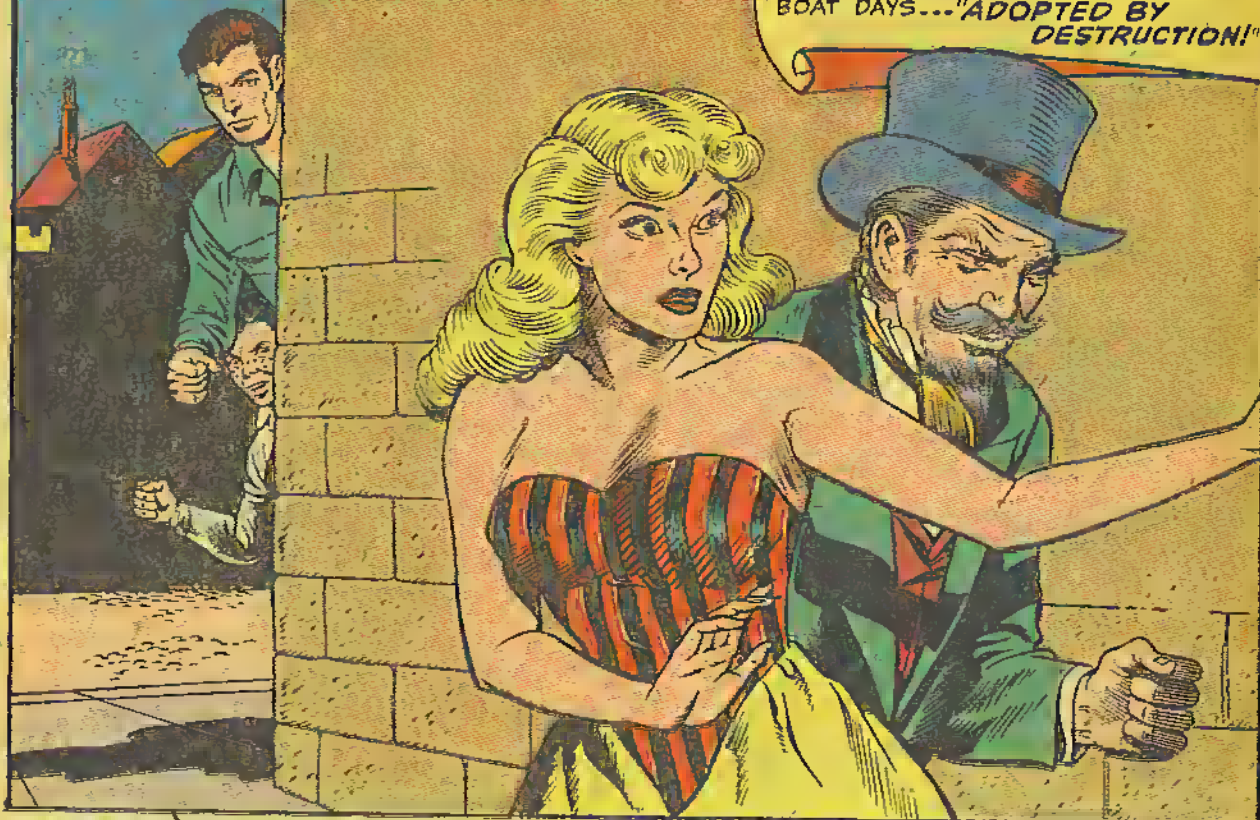


JEB RIVERS

DANGER THREATENS MARNIE PELHAM... DEADLY AND MYSTERIOUS! WHY DO THEY WANT TO KILL CAPTAIN PELHAM'S PRETTY DAUGHTER? IS IT BECAUSE OF THE INTEREST OF THE ANCIENT CHEVALIER TREVES?

JEB RIVERS AND CATFISH WILL FIND OUT!

ANYBODY'S GUESS IS GOOD AS TO THE RIDDLE BEHIND THIS TALE OF THE OLD MISSISSIPPI'S GLAMOROUS STEAM-BOAT DAYS... "ADOPTED BY DESTRUCTION!"



CAP'TN PELHAM'S PRIZE RIVER PACKET, THE PARAGON, HAS DOCKED AT FABULOUS NEW ORLEANS!

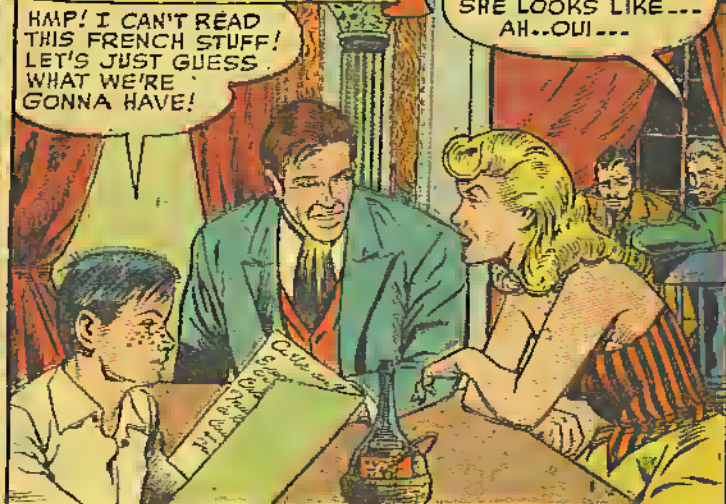


"WE'LL BE HERE OVERNIGHT! I'M HOLDING THE PARAGON FOR A SPECIAL PARTY OF UP-RIVER PASSENGERS, JEB!"

"THAT WILL GIVE MARNIE AND ME A CHANCE TO SEE MORE OF THIS GAY OLD TOWN! TAG ALONG WITH US, CATFISH!"

AT THE GOURMET'S PARADISE, CAFE DES EMIGREES!

"HMP! I CAN'T READ THIS FRENCH STUFF! LET'S JUST GUESS WHAT WE'RE GONNA HAVE!"



"ACHILLE! THE YOUNG MA'M'SELLE! SHE LOOKS LIKE... AH..OUI..."

S'IL VOUS PLAÎT...FORGIVE AN OLD MAN'S PRESUMPTION, BUT I WISH TO INTRODUCE MYSELF! I AM THE CHEVALIER TREVES! AND YOU?

JEB RIVERS IS MY NAME! THIS IS MY YOUNG PARTNER, CATFISH! ALSO, MISS MARNIE PELHAM!

BUT OF COURSE! MISS MARNIE PELHAM! YOUR FATHER IS CAPTAIN PELHAM, NO? AND YOUR MOTHER...

MY MOTHER DIED WHEN I WAS A BABY, SIR! MY FATHER REARED ME, AND I HELP HIM SAIL THE PARAGON ON THE RIVER!



YOUR MOTHER, CHILD! I KNEW YOUR MOTHER... KNEW HER WELL...

PARDON MY COUSIN, MY FRIENDS! HE MEANS NO HARM! HE IS OLD... SOMETIMES A TRIFLE CHILDISH! WE WILL TROUBLE YOU NO MORE!

LATER, ON THE PARAGON---

SUCH A STRANGE OLD MAN! I COULDN'T TELL HIM MUCH ABOUT MOTHER! I NEVER KNEW HER, AND YOU SPEAK OF HER SO SELDOM!

I KNOW, DEAR! I FIND IT HARD TO THINK OF HER WITHOUT SORROW! SHE WAS THE LOVE OF MY LIFE, AND DIED SO YOUNG!

SHE WAS THE DAUGHTER OF A GREAT LOUISIANA FAMILY! THE CHEVALIER TREVES COURTED HER... HE WAS WEALTHY, BUT OLD! SHE CHOSE ME... YOUNG AND POOR! AND WE WERE HAPPY UNTIL...

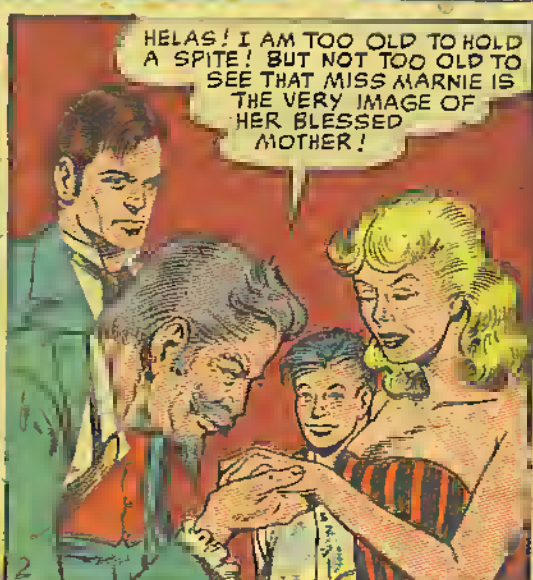
LOOKIT YONDER! THERE COMES THAT OLD FRENCH-TALKIN' FELLER!



CAPTAIN PELHAM, AFTER ALL THESE YEARS! YOU'RE STILL THE HANDSOME FELLOW WHO WAS MY SUCCESSFUL RIVAL FOR THE FAIREST LADY OF ALL!

NO HARD FEELINGS, I HOPE, CHEVALIER!

HELAS! I AM TOO OLD TO HOLD A SPITE! BUT NOT TOO OLD TO SEE THAT MISS MARNIE IS THE VERY IMAGE OF HER BLESSED MOTHER!



MY DEAR CHILD, I HAVE NO FAMILY OF MY OWN, NOBODY TO HELP WITH ALL MY RICHES! IF I COULD ADOPT YOU AS MY DAUGHTER, I'D BE SO HAPPY!

BUT I HAVE A FATHER ALREADY, CHEVALIER TREVES! THE BEST FATHER IN THE WORLD!



YOU ARE RIGHT IN SAYING SO, MARNIE! I SUPPOSE I CAN CONTINUE ALONE, UNLOVED---

BUT YOU CAN BE MY GRANDFATHER IF YOU WISH! YOU'D BE PERFECT FOR THAT!



WHAT...

SOMEONE THREW A DAGGER!



YOU'RE THE CUTLERY-FLIPPER! COME OUT HERE AND LET'S LOOK AT YOU!

I HAVE ANOTHER KNIFE, YOU FOOL!



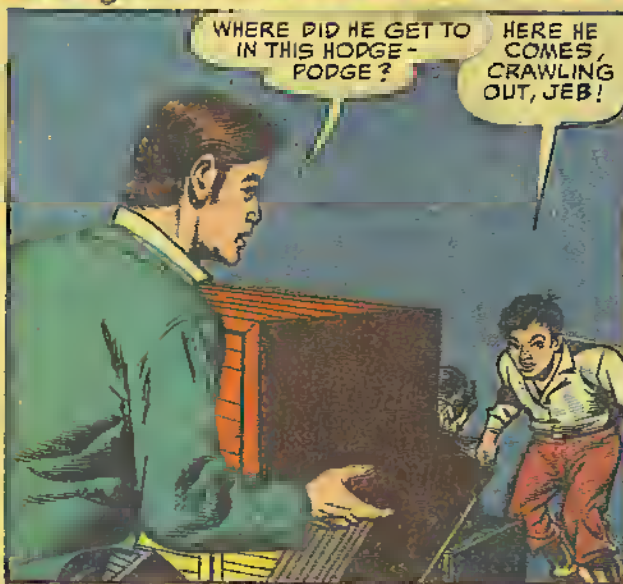
YOU USE KNIVES, I USE KNUCKLES! WHO WINS?

THAT'S MY PARTNER, JEB RIVERS! SEVERE, AIN'T HE?



WHERE DID HE GET TO IN THIS HODGE-PODGE?

HERE HE COMES, CRAWLING OUT, JEB!



HOLD HIM CATFISH!

NOBODY CAN HOLD ME!



CATFISH! THAT WAS A COWARDLY BLOW! DID HE HURT YOU?

NO WORSE'N IF HE'D USED A CLUB! BUT YOU HADN'T OUGHTA STOPPED TO HELP ME! HE'S PLUMB GOT AWAY!



NEITHER OF YOU WERE HURT! AND I WONDER WHICH OF YOU HE WAS AFTER!



PERHAPS BOTH! BUT NO... A KNIFE SLAYS BUT ONE AT A TIME!

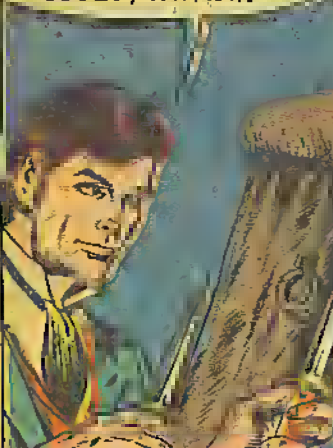


WE MAY SPEAK MORE SAFELY AT MY HOME ON THE RIVER HILL ROAD! WILL YOU HONOR ME, MISS MARNIE? AND GOOD CAPTAIN PELHAM, TOO?



HARK AT HIM, JEB! WE'RE BEING LEFT OUT OF THAT INVITE!

FOR A MAN WITH SO MANY KNIVES, OUR MYSTERIOUS FRIEND DREW VERY LITTLE BLOOD, CATFISH!



THEM KNIVES IS IDENTICAL, AIN'T THEY? JUST LIKE TWIN HOG-STABBERS!



MAYBE A TWO-KNIFE MAN NEEDS TO BE SCOUTED! WANT TO COME ALONG?

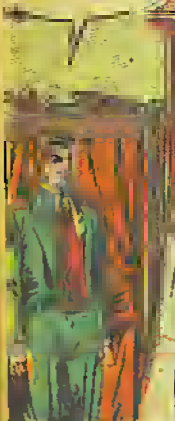


WHEN DID I EVER WANT TO STAY BEHIND?



MEANWHILE, AT THE HOME OF THE CHEVALIER TREYES...

I HAVE BEEN COMFORTABLE HERE, BUT, LONELY, MY FRIENDS!



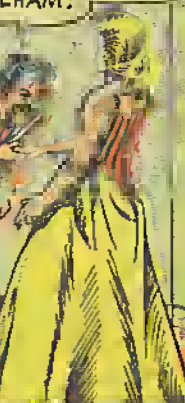
AH, COUSIN, I HAVE ALREADY MET THIS SO CHARMING LADY, AT THE CAFE DES EMIGREES!



THE SON OF MY LATE COUSIN... ACHILLE ORMONT! YOU KNOW HIM, MARNIE! ACHILLE, THIS IS CAPTAIN PELHAM!



THE LONELINESS OF WHICH MY COUSIN SPOKE IS BANISHED BY YOUR PRESENCE, MISS PELHAM!



ACHILLE, WE MUST TELL YOU
OF OUR STRANGE ADVENTURE
AT THE DOCK! IT IS FORTUNATE
THAT NOBODY WAS HURT!

HEAR THAT,
MATE? THE
BOSS DOESN'T
WANT THAT
GIRL TO ESCAPE
A SECOND TRY!



GOOD COUSIN, THIS TALE YOU
TELL FREEZES THE BLOOD! BUT
MAY IT NOT BE MERE
IMAGINATION?

THE WINDOW!
LOOK THERE!
THAT'S NOT
IMAGINATION!



I'LL SAVE
YOU!

NO, LET GO!
LET ME RUN---
HE'S GOING
TO SHOOT!



HE'LL SHOOT
NOBODY!

JEB RIVERS!
HE FOLLOWED
US JUST IN
TIME!



YOU'RE NOT
GETTING AWAY!
I WANT TO
QUESTION YOU!

I'LL TOMAHAWK
YOU, YOU
MEDDLER!



YOU SAVED ME,
JEB! I'LL
SAVE YOU!

YOU'RE DOING A
MAN'S JOB,
CATFISH!





YOUR MAN'S GETTING AWAY, JEB!

BUT YOURS ISN'T! LET'S HEAR WHAT HE HAS TO SAY ABOUT THIS SNEAKY MURDER SCHEME!



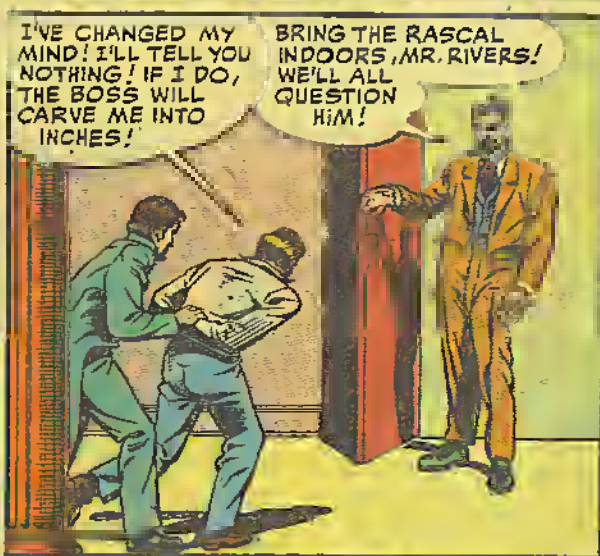
TALK FAST! WHO PUT YOU UP TO THIS, AND WHY? IF YOU DON'T TELL, I'LL RAISE LUMPS ALL OVER YOU!

TAKE IT EASY, STRANGER! I'M JUST A HIRED HAND! MY MATE AND ME WAS HIRED TO DO THE JOB BY---



MORE KNIFE THROWING!

THE BOSS HIMSELF FLUNG THAT DAGGER!



I'VE CHANGED MY MIND! I'LL TELL YOU NOTHING! IF I DO, THE BOSS WILL CARVE ME INTO INCHES!

BRING THE RASCAL INDOORS, MR. RIVERS! WE'LL ALL QUESTION HIM!



NOW YOU SNIVELLING SNAKE, DO YOU THINK THE MYSTERIOUS KNIFE-THROWER CAN REACH YOU IN HERE?

THAT'S JUST WHAT I DO THINK AND I AIN'T TELLING WHO HE IS!



YOU'RE WORSE FRIGHTENED BY HIM THAN BY MR. RIVERS, EH?

I AM, YOU CAN BELIEVE ME! THAT KNIFE WHIPPED WITHIN A HAIR'S BREADTH OF MY FACE!

OF COURSE, MAYBE WE ARE DEALING WITH ANOTHER KNIFE THROWER!

NONSENSE! THESE MEN ARE ONE AND THE SAME!



THE KNIFE STICKING IN THAT TREE OUT THERE IS A MATE OF THE ONE THROWN AT MISS MARNIE AT THE DOCK!

YOU'RE RIGHT, ACHILLE! AND THAT PROVES BOTH WERE THROWN BY THE SAME MAN! LIKEWISE---



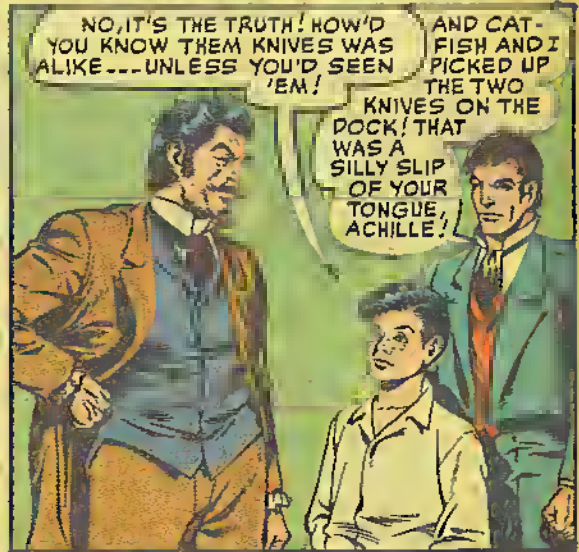
IT PROVES THAT YOU ARE THE KNIFE THROWER!

PREPOSTEROUS!



NO, IT'S THE TRUTH! HOW'D YOU KNOW THEM KNIVES WAS ALIKE --- UNLESS YOU'D SEEN 'EM!

AND CAT-FISH AND I PICKED UP THE TWO KNIVES ON THE DOCK! THAT WAS A SILLY SLIP OF YOUR TONGUE, ACHILLE!



THESE ARE GRAVE ACCUSATIONS, COUSIN! UNLESS YOU HAVE AN EXPLANATION!

YOU DARE ASK FOR EXPLANATIONS, YOU DODDERING OLD FOOL?



ALL RIGHT! I THREW THE KNIVES --- WITH THESE SPRING GUNS! AND IF I THROW ANY MORE, THEY WON'T MISS THEIR MARK!



ACHILLE, MY COUSIN! YOU ARE MY ONLY KINSMAN---

AND I WOULD HAVE INHERITED YOUR MONEY, BUT YOU WANT TO WILL IT TO THIS SIMPERING LITTLE BEAUTY! THAT'S WHY I TRIED TO PUT HER OUT OF MY WAY!

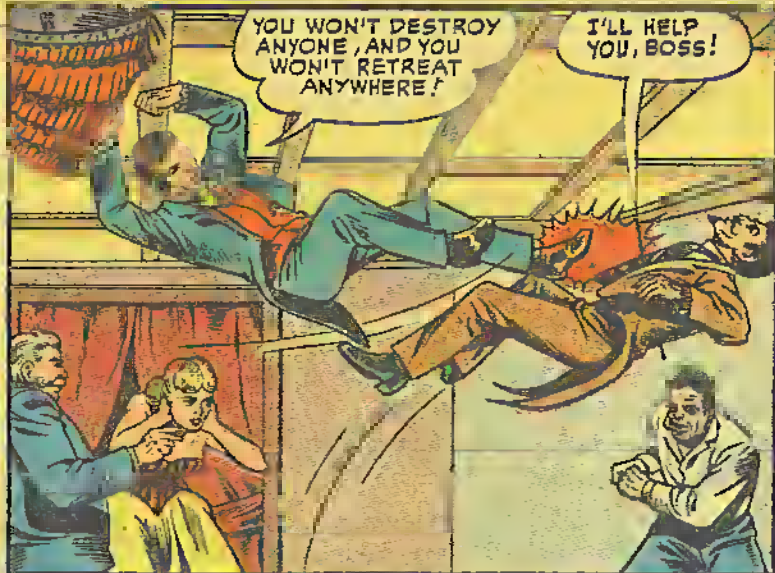


ONE KNIFE IS TO DESTROY HER! THE OTHER IS FOR ANYONE WHO TRIES TO FOLLOW AS I RETREAT!

NO!

YOU WON'T DESTROY ANYONE, AND YOU WON'T RETREAT ANYWHERE!

I'LL HELP YOU, BOSS!

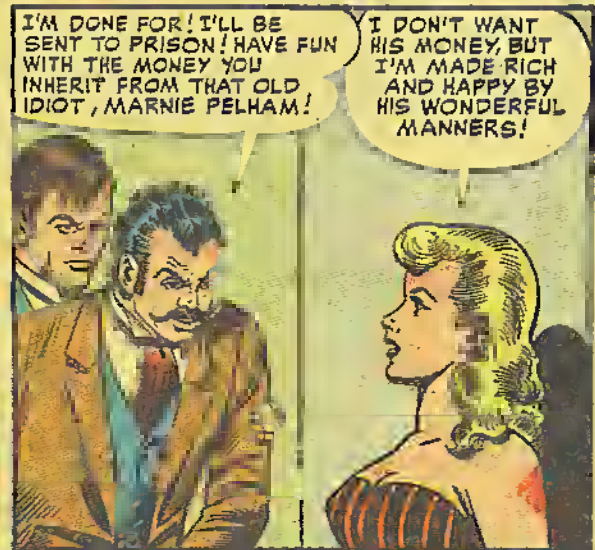
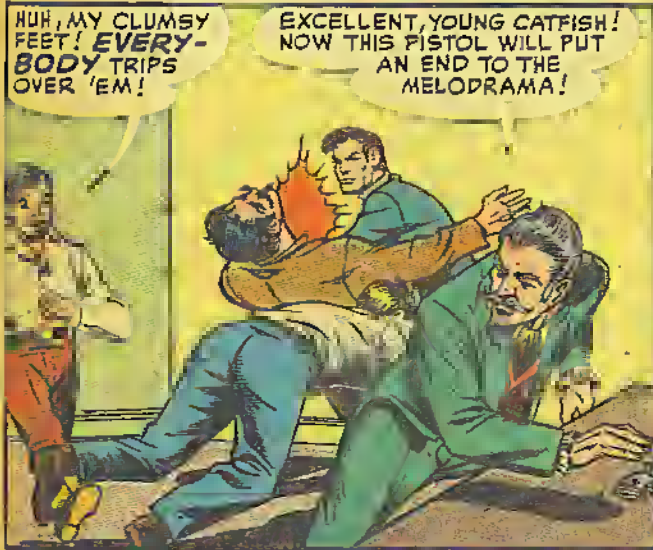


HUH, MY CLUMSY FEET! **EVERY-BODY** TRIPS OVER 'EM!

EXCELLENT, YOUNG CATFISH! NOW THIS PISTOL WILL PUT AN END TO THE MELODRAMA!

I'M DONE FOR! I'LL BE SENT TO PRISON! HAVE FUN WITH THE MONEY YOU INHERIT FROM THAT OLD IDIOT, MARNIE PELHAM!

I DON'T WANT HIS MONEY, BUT I'M MADE RICH AND HAPPY BY HIS WONDERFUL MANNERS!

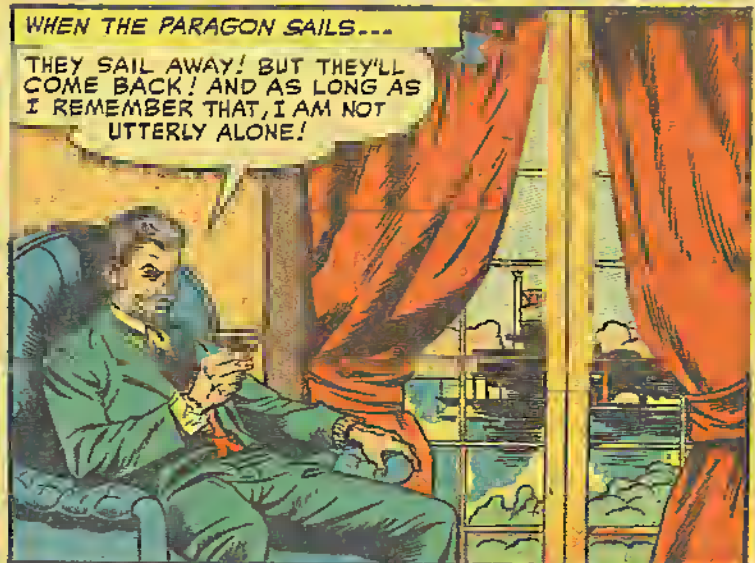


I SAID THAT I'D ADOPT YOU AS MY GRANDFATHER! WE MUST GO NOW, BUT WE'LL RETURN SOON TO VISIT!

I SHALL COUNT THE HOURS, MY DEAR! BRING YOUR FATHER AND THAT EXCELLENT YOUNG JEB RIVERS!

WHEN THE PARAGON SAILS....

THEY SAIL AWAY! BUT THEY'LL COME BACK! AND AS LONG AS I REMEMBER THAT, I AM NOT UTTERLY ALONE!



DOLL MAN

THE SECRET FORMULA OF ADAMAS WILL BRING UNTOLD RICHES TO THE MAN WHO POSSESSES IT! BASIL BRUNT, CORRUPT AND CUNNING, PLANS TO BE THAT MAN! AND THERE'S ONLY ONE MAN WHO CAN STOP HIM!... A MINIATURE CRIME-FIGHTING DYNAMO KNOWN AS THE DOLL MAN! DOLL MAN MUST BATTLE BASIL BRUNT AND HIS VICIOUS BULLY BOYS TO SAVE...

The PRICELESS FORMULA OF ADAMAS!

HERE HE COMES, BOYS!
LET'S GET THIS OVER
WITH AND FEED HIM TO
THE FISHES!



IN THE LABORATORY OF DARREL DANE, YOUNG SCIENTIST...

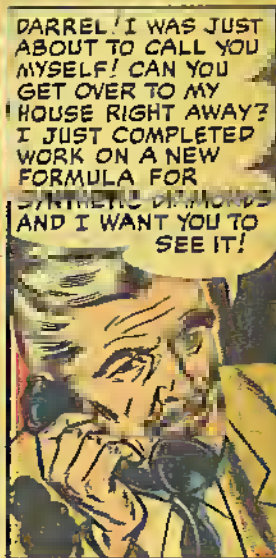
I'VE CERTAINLY HIT A SNAG IN THIS EXPERIMENT! THERE'S ONLY ONE MAN WHO CAN HELP ME! I THINK I'LL CALL HIM!



HELLO... DR. MERIT! THIS IS DARREL DANE!



DARREL! I WAS JUST ABOUT TO CALL YOU MYSELF! CAN YOU GET OVER TO MY HOUSE RIGHT AWAY? I JUST COMPLETED WORK ON A NEW FORMULA FOR SYNTHETIC DIAMONDS AND I WANT YOU TO SEE IT!



SURE THING, DR. MERIT!
I'LL BE OVER AS FAST AS
I CAN GET THERE!



OH, YATES! I DIDN'T HEAR YOU COME
IN! INCIDENTALLY, YOU CAN HAVE THE
REST OF THE DAY OFF! I DON'T
PLAN TO DO ANY MORE WORK
TODAY!



YES, DR.
MERIT!

HMM! SO HE'S COMPLETED
THE FORMULA! BASIL BRUNT
WILL PAY ME WELL FOR THAT
LITTLE PIECE OF INFOR-
MATION!



AND A SHORT WHILE LATER...

WHAT'S UP, BASIL?
YOU'RE LOOKING LIKE
A CAT WHO SWALLOWED
A GOLDFISH!

I JUST GOT
WORD FROM
YATES! THE FORMULA
IS NOW RIPE FOR
PICKING! COME ON,
WE'RE GOING TO
PAY A CALL ON DR.
MERIT!



DOES YATES KNOW
WHERE THE DOC
KEEPS THE
FORMULA?

NO, THE GOOD DOCTOR HAS BEEN
VERY SECRETIVE ABOUT THE
PROJECT! BUT THAT'S WHY
WE'RE GOING OUT THERE!
WE'LL FIND
IT!



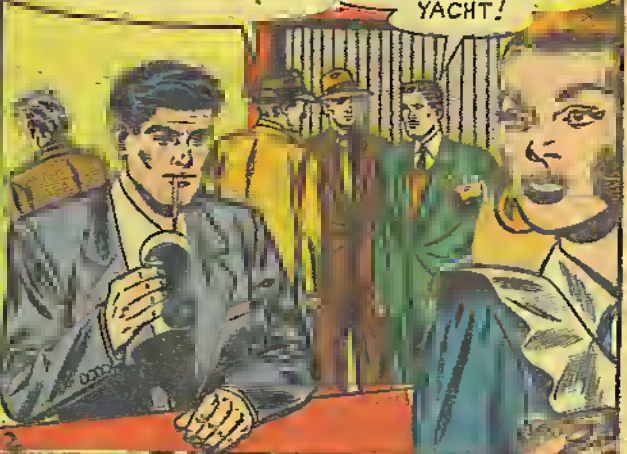
MEANWHILE ---

IT LOOKS LIKE I'VE GOT A
GOOD TEN MINUTES
BEFORE THE FERRY LEAVES!
GUESS I'LL GET SOMETHING
TO DRINK!



I WISH THERE WAS A
FASTER WAY OF GETTING
TO DR. MERIT'S HOUSE
THAN TAKING A FERRY...

STOP COMPLAINING!
ONCE WE GET THAT
FORMULA, YOU'LL BE
ABLE TO AFFORD A
YACHT!



THAT FORMULA FOR SYNTHETIC DIAMONDS WILL REVOLUTIONIZE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT! BUT IF IT GOT INTO ANYONE ELSE'S HANDS, THEY COULD MANUFACTURE DIAMONDS COMMERCIALY AND MAKE A MINT OF MONEY---

BEG YOUR PARDON, SIR!

WHAT?

YOU'D BETTER HURRY IF YOU WANT TO CATCH THAT FERRY---



OH THANKS! I THINK I CAN STILL MAKE IT!

MADE IT! WHAT AN ABSENT-MINDED FELLER! HE DRINKS A SODA AND THEN TAKES THE STRAWS WITH HIM!

I GUESS I'M A BASIL, WHAT'S THE PLAN WHEN WE GET TO DR. MERIT'S HOUSE? SOUVENIR COLLECTOR AT HEART!

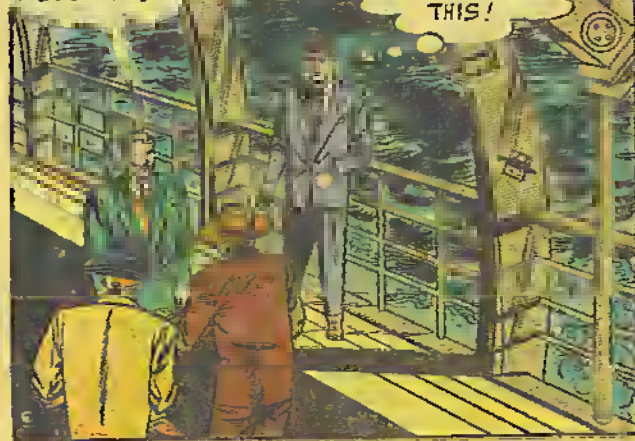


TONE IT DOWN, YOU FOOL! DO YOU WANT THE WHOLE WORLD TO KNOW ABOUT IT?

I DISTINCTLY HEARD THEM MENTION DR. MERIT! I'D BETTER INCH A LITTLE CLOSER AND FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THIS!

PSST! SEE THAT GUY! HE'S DARREL DANE AND I THINK HE'S A GOOD FRIEND OF DR. MERIT'S! MAYBE HE'S GOING TO MERIT'S HOUSE!

WE CAN'T TAKE ANY CHANCES! WE'VE GOT TO GET HIM OUT OF THE WAY!



I WISH I COULD HEAR WHAT THEY ARE SAYING!

MOVE FAST! WE'LL DUMP HIM OVERBOARD BEFORE HE KNOWS WHAT HIT HIM!

GIVE MY BEST REGARDS TO DAVY JONES!

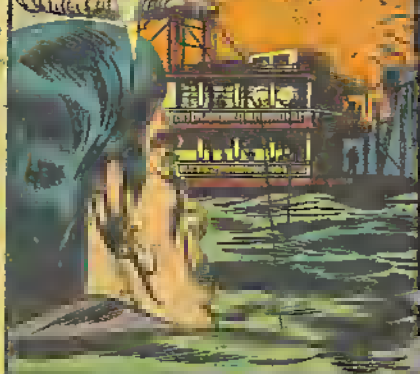


WHA...? I'VE GOT TO GET OUT OF HERE... MUST GET BACK TO THE FERRY...

IT LOOKS LIKE HE AIN'T GONNA DROWN SO EASY! HE'S STARTING TO SWIM THIS WAY!

IF WE PUT SOME HOLES IN HIM, HE'LL SINK FASTER! LET HIM HAVE IT!

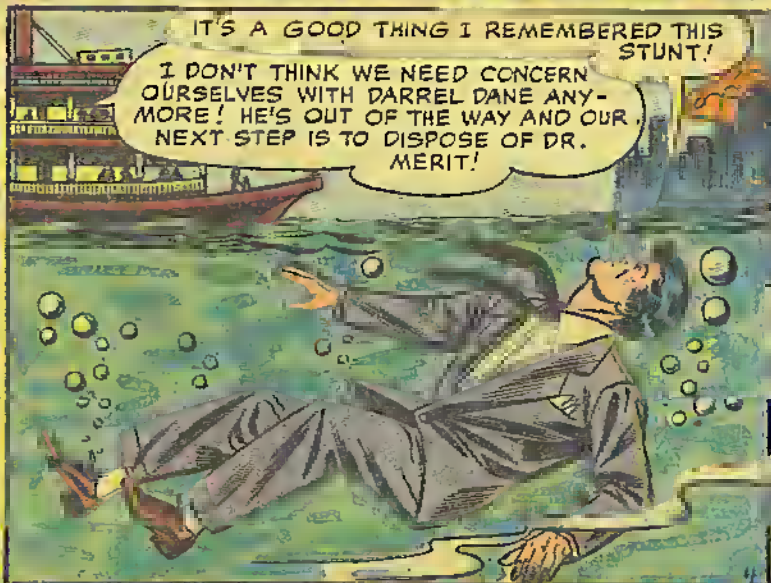
THIS IS A FINE KETTLE OF FISH! IF I KEEP MY HEAD ABOVE WATER, I'M A PERFECT TARGET FOR THOSE BULLY BOYS! IF I GO UNDER - WATER -



WAIT A MINUTE! MY ABSENT-MINDEDNESS IS GOING TO PAY OFF! THESE STRAWS ARE GOING TO SAVE MY LIFE!

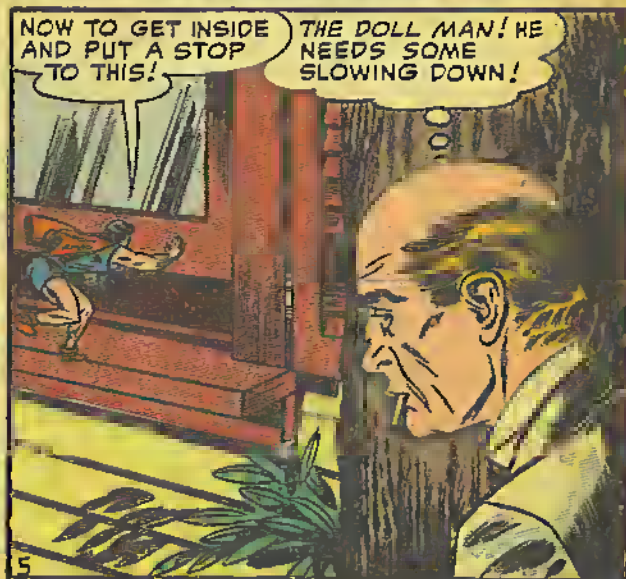
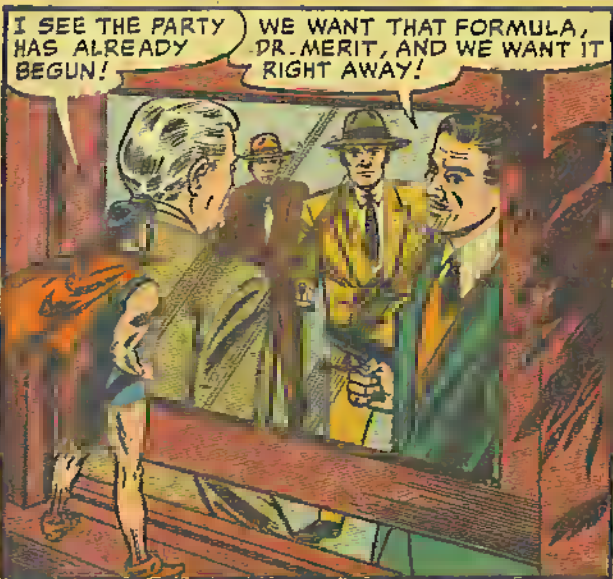
IT'S A GOOD THING I REMEMBERED THIS STUNT!

I DON'T THINK WE NEED CONCERN OURSELVES WITH DARREL DANE ANY-MORE! HE'S OUT OF THE WAY AND OUR NEXT STEP IS TO DISPOSE OF DR. MERIT!



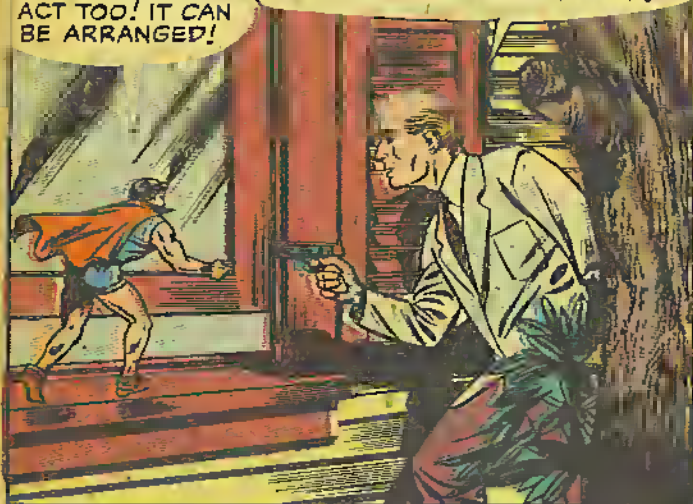


TIME IS HELD IN SUSPENSION FOR ONE BRIEF MOMENT AS DARREL DANE TRANSFORMS HIMSELF INTO THE DOLL MAN!



SO YOU WANT TO GET INTO THE ACT TOO! IT CAN BE ARRANGED!

(YOU INTERFERING RUNT...I'LL BLOW YOU TO SMITHEREENS!



SORRY! I WOULDN'T FEEL RIGHT IF I LET YOU DO THAT!

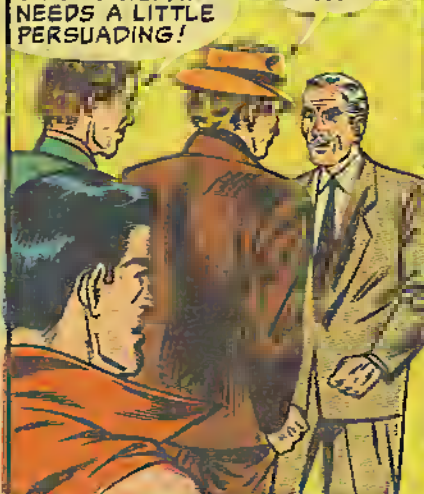


NOW TO GET BACK TO WHERE I WAS BEFORE I WAS SO RUDELY INTERRUPTED!



I KNOW HOW TO MAKE THE DOC TALK! FINCH, HE NEEDS A LITTLE PERSUADING!

AND I'M JUST THE GUY TO DO IT!



MAYBE THIS'LL REMIND YOU WHERE YOU HID THE FORMULA!

YOU'LL NEVER FIND OUT FROM ME! YOU'RE WASTING YOUR TIME!



GET THIS THROUGH YOUR THICK SKULL!

AOUWWW!



YOU CAUGHT US OFF GUARD, DOLL MAN! BUT TRY ANYTHING NOW AND DR. MERIT GETS IT!

I'VE GOT TO THINK FAST! THAT'S NOT AN EMPTY THREAT! THESE MEN ARE KILLERS!



NOBODY'S GONNA SLUG A FRIEND OF MINE AND GET AWAY WITH IT!

UH-OH!
I'D BETTER
GET OUT OF
RANGE!



WHERE DID
HE GO?

OO I MUST GET TO
A TELEPHONE
AND CALL THE
POLICE!



THIS IS TO REMIND YOU THAT
WE MEAN BUSINESS! NOW
GET BACK IN HERE OR MY
NEXT BULLET WILL BE
YOUR FINISH!



WE KNOW THE FORMULA IS SOME-
WHERE IN THIS HOUSE! IF YOU
DON'T TALK, WE'LL PUT YOU OUT
OF THE WAY AND THEN
RANSACK THIS
PLACE UNTIL
WE FIND IT!

THE DOLL
MAN IS SUPPOSED
TO BE SO BRAVE,
BUT HERE HE IS,
HIDING SOMEWHERE
LIKE A COWARD!



THAT HOOD BELOW DOESN'T
STRIKE ME AS SOMEONE
INTERESTED IN LITERATURE!
AND I KNOW HE ISN'T GOING
TO LIKE THIS BOOK!



ARGHH!

YOU'VE STALLED LONG ENOUGH!
YOU HAD YOUR CHANCE TO TALK
AND YOU REFUSED! NOW YOU'LL
NEVER TALK AGAIN!



I THINK HE WILL! IN FACT I'M GOING TO
MAKE CERTAIN HE KEEPS ON TALKING
AND THINKING AND WORKING
FOR THE BENEFIT
OF SCIENCE!



DOLL MAN

BUT SINCE YOU'RE SUCH A USELESS PARASITIC SPECIMEN, YOU NEED TO BE TAKEN OUT OF CIRCULATION! LIKE THIS...



DOLL MAN, HOW CAN I EVER THANK YOU? YOU'VE SAVED MY LIFE AND YOU'VE ENABLED ME TO KEEP MY FORMULA OF ADAMAS OUT OF THE HANDS OF THESE CRIMINALS!

IT'S YOU WHO SHOULD BE THANKED, DOCTOR! YOUR SCIENTIFIC DISCOVERIES HAVE BEEN OF ENORMOUS BENEFIT TO MANKIND!



I MUST LEAVE YOU NOW! CALL THE POLICE AND THEY'LL TAKE THESE VULTURES AWAY! INCIDENTALLY, YOU'LL FIND ANOTHER MEMBER OF THE GANG LYING OUTSIDE!

THANK YOU, DOLL MAN... AND GOOD-BYE!



DOLL MAN CONCENTRATES HIS POWER OF WILL AND BECOMES DARREL DANE---



DARREL, MY BOY, YOU'VE MISSED ALL THE EXCITEMENT! YOU SHOULD HAVE SEEN THE DOLL MAN DISPOSE OF THESE VICIOUS MEN!

WHAT HAPPENED? WHAT HIT ME?



I'M SORRY TO BE LATE, DR. MERIT! I JUST COULDN'T GET HERE ANY FASTER!



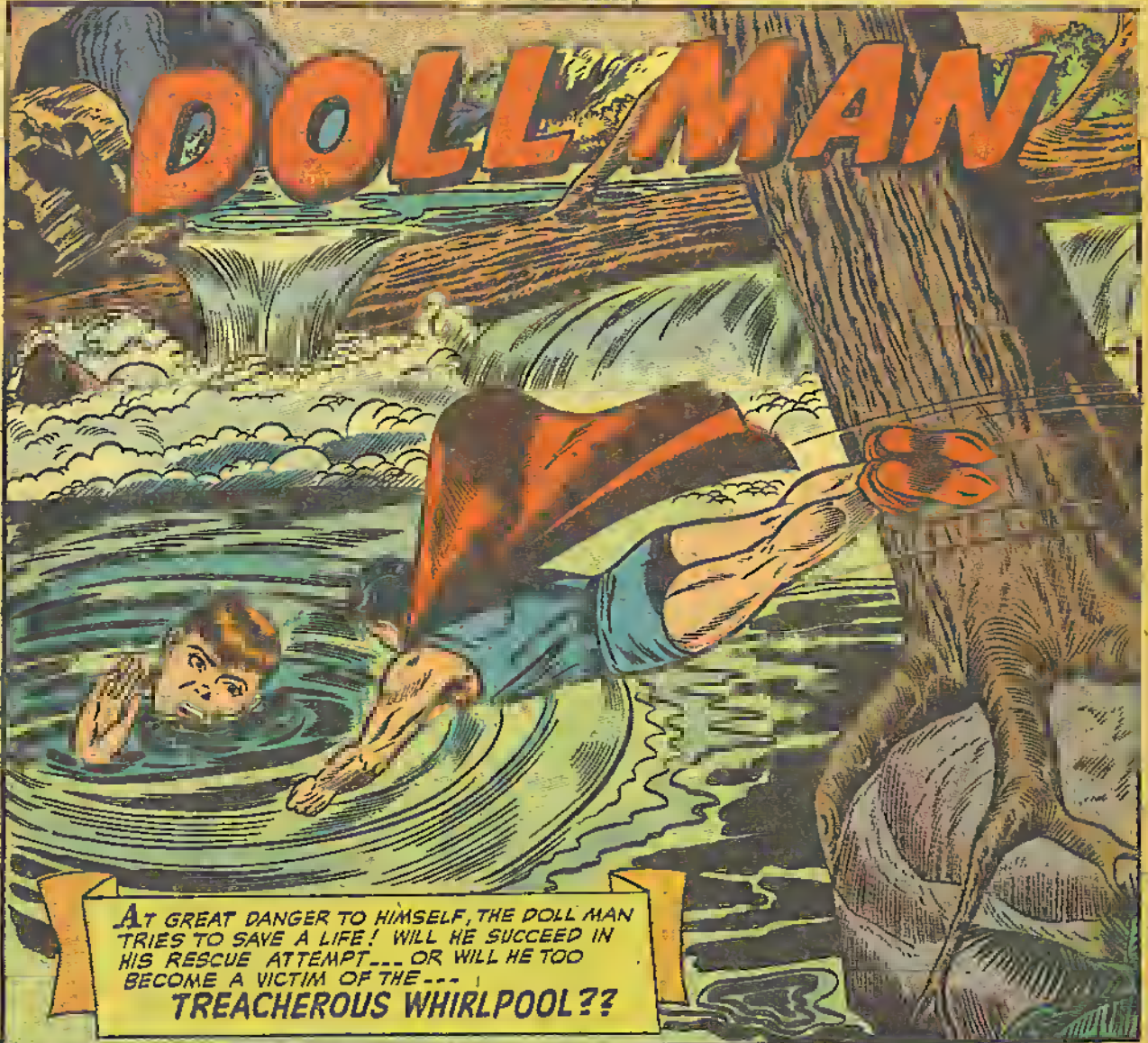
YOU'RE A GHOST! WE THREW YOU OVERBOARD AND YOU DROWNED!

THE DOLL MAN MUST HAVE HIT HIM AWFULLY HARD! HE'S HAVING HALLUCINATIONS!

THEY TELL ME THAT THE DOLL MAN PACKS A MIGHTY WALLOP BUT I ALWAYS SEEM TO ARRIVE JUST AFTER HE'S LEFT!

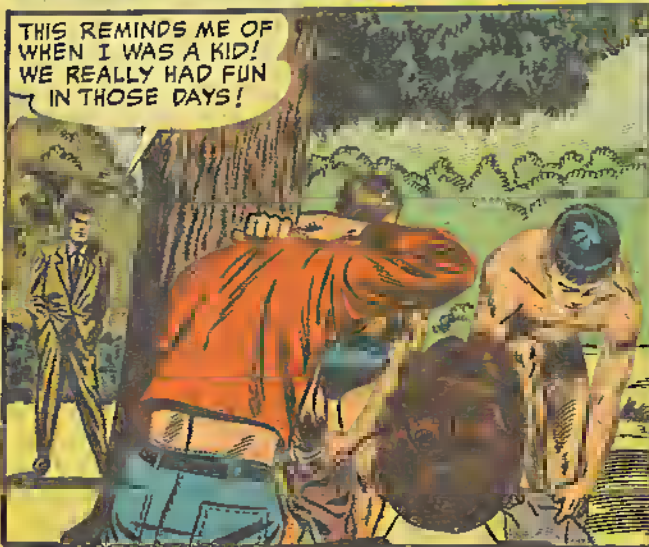


DOLL MAN



AT GREAT DANGER TO HIMSELF, THE DOLL MAN
 TRIES TO SAVE A LIFE! WILL HE SUCCEED IN
 HIS RESCUE ATTEMPT... OR WILL HE TOO
 BECOME A VICTIM OF THE...
TREACHEROUS WHIRLPOOL??

THIS REMINDS ME OF
 WHEN I WAS A KID!
 WE REALLY HAD FUN
 IN THOSE DAYS!

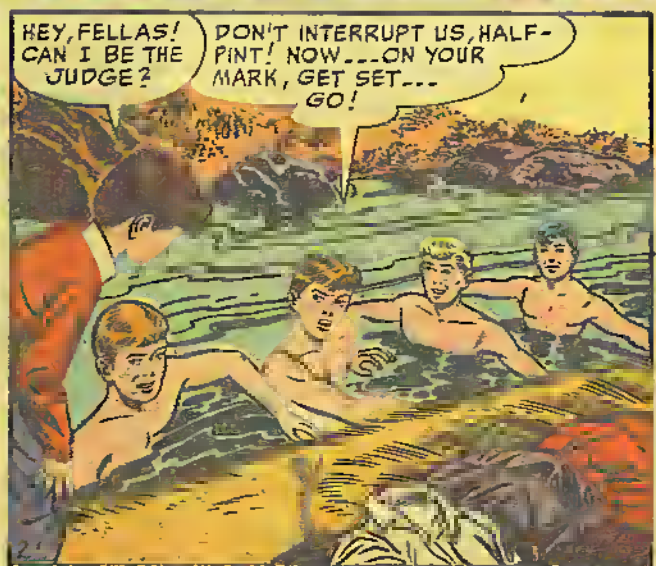


YOU CAN'T COME SWIMMING
 WITH US! YOU'RE TOO LITTLE
 AND YOU MIGHT GET
 HURT!

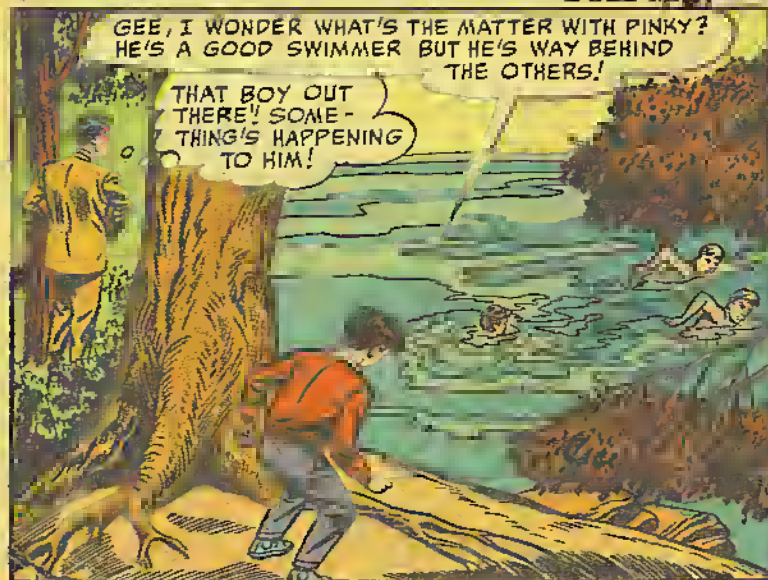
AW GEE, I CAN
 TAKE CARE OF
 MYSELF!



DOLL MAN

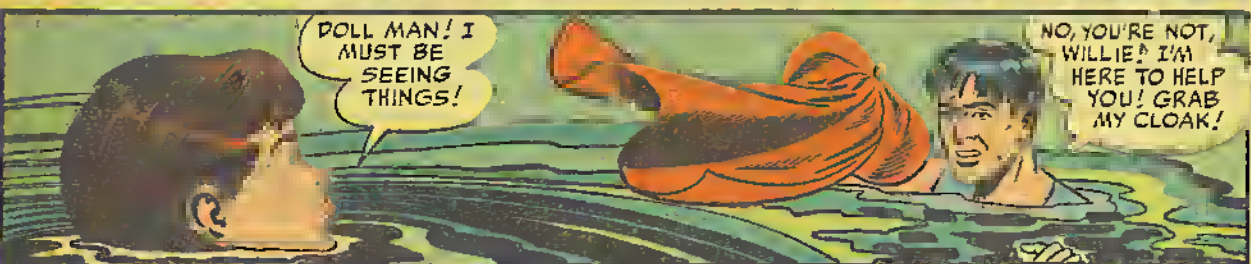
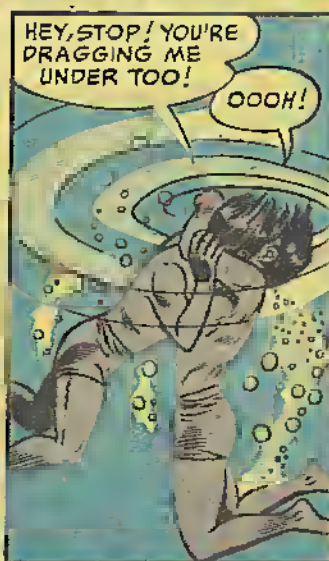
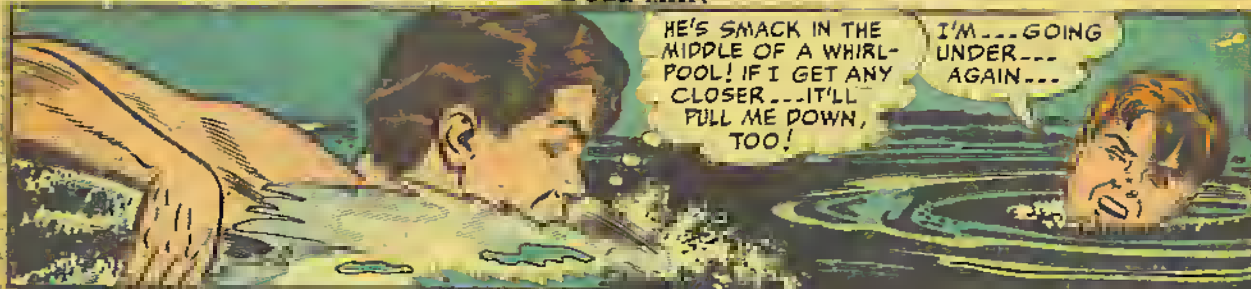


DOLL MAN



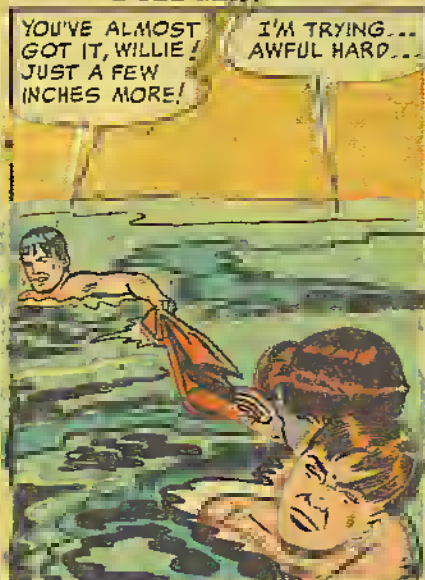
AND BECOMES
THE **DOLL MAN**





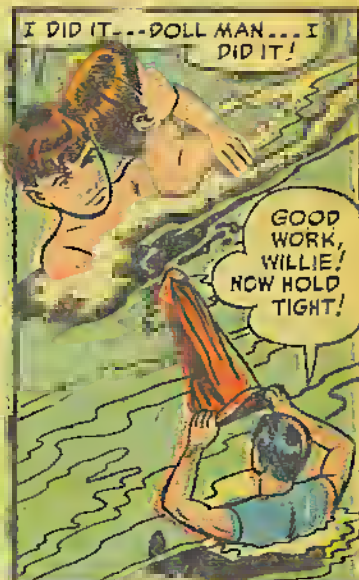


I... CAN'T REACH... IT...



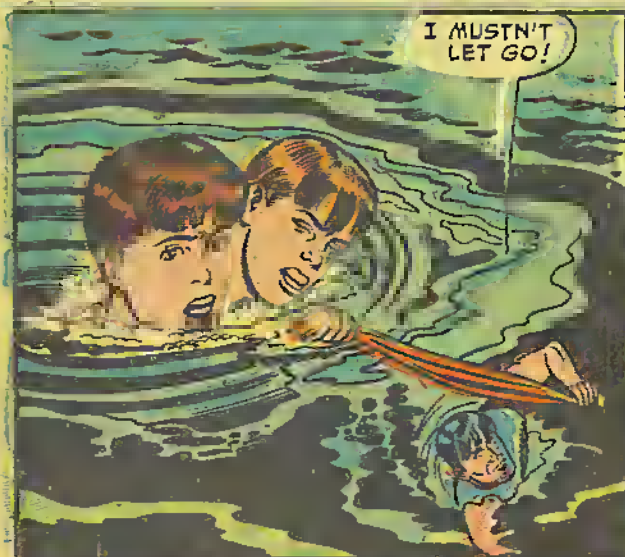
YOU'VE ALMOST GOT IT, WILLIE! JUST A FEW INCHES MORE!

I'M TRYING... AWFUL HARD...

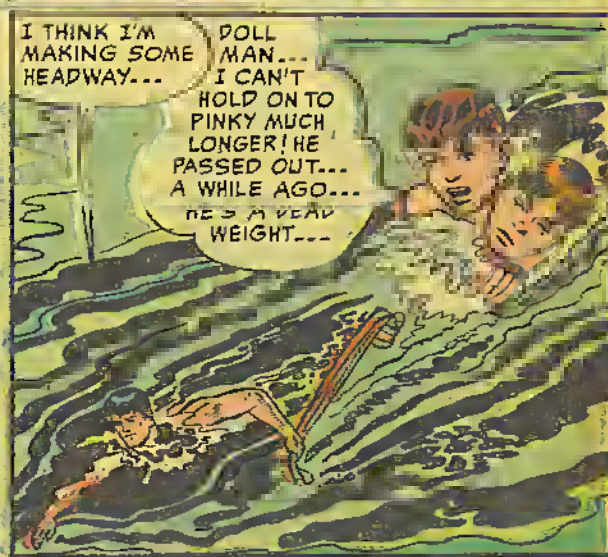


I DID IT... DOLL MAN... I DID IT!

GOOD WORK, WILLIE! NOW HOLD TIGHT!



I MUSTN'T LET GO!



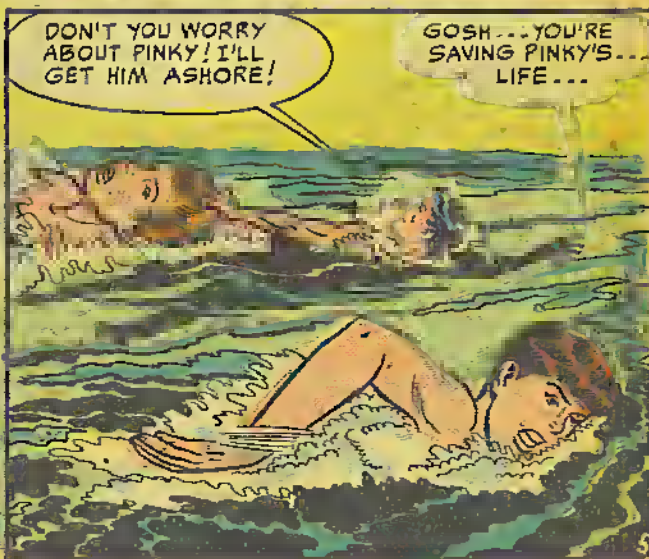
I THINK I'M MAKING SOME HEADWAY...

DOLL MAN... I CAN'T HOLD ON TO PINKY MUCH LONGER! HE PASSED OUT... A WHILE AGO... HE'S A DEAD WEIGHT...



PHEW! THAT DOES IT! WE'VE BEATEN THE WHIRLPOOL! DO YOU THINK YOU CAN MAKE IT TO SHORE, WILLIE?

I'LL TRY... I'LL TRY MY BEST...



DON'T YOU WORRY ABOUT PINKY! I'LL GET HIM ASHORE!

GOSH... YOU'RE SAVING PINKY'S... LIFE...

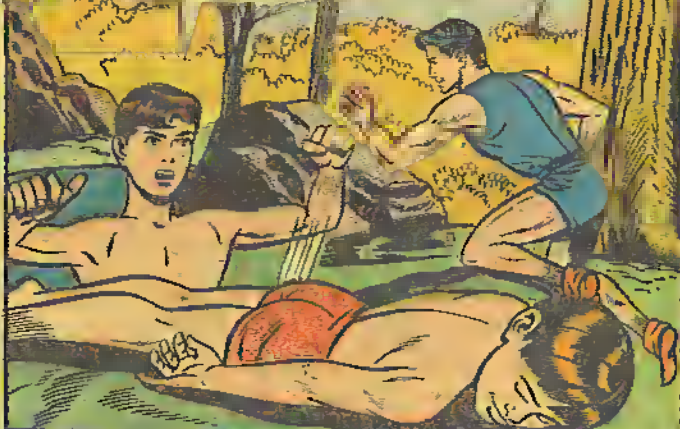
THIS BOY'S LUNGS ARE FULL OF WATER! HE'S GOING TO NEED ARTIFICIAL RESPIRATION RIGHT AWAY!

I KNOW HOW TO DO THAT...
DOLL MAN! I LEARNED HOW
IN SCHOOL!



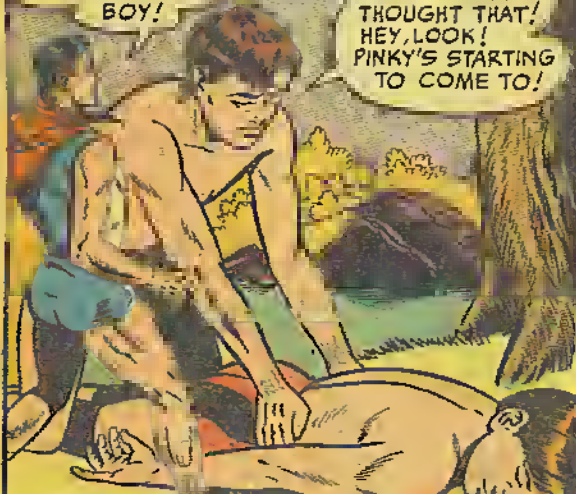
BUT YOU'RE EXHAUSTED, WILLIE!

I'M ALL RIGHT NOW! I MAY
BE LITTLE BUT I'VE GOT A
LOT OF STAMINA!



YOU CERTAINLY HAVE, WILLIE!
YOU'RE QUITE A
BOY!

I WISH THE
FELLAS
THOUGHT THAT!
HEY, LOOK!
PINKY'S STARTING
TO COME TO!



WILLIE DOESN'T
NEED ME ANY
LONGER! I'LL
BE ON MY
WAY!



GEE, THE
DOLL MAN
IS GONE!

HEY, WILLIE! WHAT
HAPPENED TO
PINKY?



HE ALMOST DROWNED
AND THEN I WENT IN
AFTER HIM... AND THEN
THE DOLL MAN CAME
AND RESCUED BOTH
OF US!

YOU KNOW... YOU'RE A
MODEST LITTLE GUY,
WILLIE! YOU SAVE
PINKY'S LIFE AND THEN
SAY THE DOLL MAN DID
IT! YOU'RE A REAL
HERO!



And A SHORT TIME LATER...

...AND AS OF NOW,
WILLIE, YOU'RE A
REGULAR MEMBER
OF OUR GANG!

WILLIE REALLY
EARNED THAT
MEMBERSHIP! AND JUST
LOOK AT THAT KID'S
FACE! HE'S GRINNING
FROM EAR TO
EAR!



DOLL MAN

JUNE
NO. 34
10c

I.C.D.
6



THE WORLD'S MIGHTIEST MITE

4

52

BIG FULL WIDTH PAGES

ACTION PACKED

DOLL MAN

ADVENTURES!

